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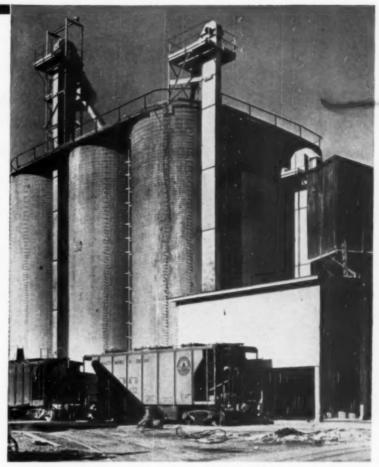
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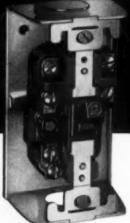
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# Facts and Trends

## FOR SOUTHERN INDUSTRIAL AND POWER EXECUTIVES

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A PRESSURIZED FURNACE operating at 8.3-in. water gauge is an unusual feature of the new Knox Lee Power Plant of the SOUTHWESTERN GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY. The 300,000 lb/hr outdoor type Babcock & Wilcox unit departs from conventional design.

No induced draft fan is required and only one forced draft fan is used. Special care was taken in the design to reduce gas leakage through the setting to a minimum. ADVANTAGES expected are: lower excess air with consequent higher boiler efficiency; a 300 hp reduction in power requirements by elimination of the induced draft fan; and simplification of duct and stack arrangement. The installation is featured in this issue of SOUTHERN POWER & INDUSTRY.

- PLANT SHUT-DOWNS are in the offing for vacation closings. Consequently, everything possible should be done to eliminate sources of fire and to keep fire protective equipment ready for immediate action. The June issue of SP&I will list those items requiring attention before a plant is closed for vacation and will outline precautions needed during the shut-down. The article will point out what to do about housekeeping, waste disposal, and flammable liquids and gases. It will show what part of the electric power, steam power, and heating should be kept in service and will include specific suggestions for maintaining watch service and checking the protective equipment.
- AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT made by Southern manufacturers, who use Atlantic Steel Company's prime materials or processed parts, will be spotlighted at the Atlantic Steel Company's "DIXISTEEL ON DIXIE FARMS" Open House, May 5 6th in Atlanta, Georgia. In addition to the mechanized exhibits, plant engineers are invited to attend extensive plant tours through the open hearth, soaking pits, blooming mill, bar mill, strip mills, wire and nail mills, galvanizing department, and forge shop.
- USE OF INFRARED OVENS in place of VAPOR DEGREASERS for cleaning sheet metal parts is reported by several metal-working plants. Typical operation is the degreasing of 31-in. x 20-in. conveyorized parts in 36 seconds between two banks of nine 3.6 kw Chromolox radiant heaters. Heated section of oven is approximately 3 ft long and conveyor speed 5 fpm. Reduced labor costs, greater efficiency and more uniform degreasing are reported.
- PERCUSSION WELDING DEVELOPMENTS now make it possible to flash weld aluminum tubing directly to copper, stainless steel, Monel, etc., without regard to the dissimilar metals in the joint. Charles Bruno, Reynolds Metals Cowelding specialist from Louisville demonstrated the improved flash welding development last month at the Atlanta, Georgia plant of the Southern States Iron Roofing Company, distributors for Reynolds products. New techniques reduce the fusion zone in the weld to less than one thousandth of an inch in width. Practically no intermixing of elements occurs. Thus, high-strength aluminum alloys can now be heat treated at the mill and weld-fabricated by the user without materially reducing the mechanical properties of the high-strength, heat-treated aluminum. This eliminates the former problem of how to heat treat large or complicated welded assemblies.
- NEW RAPID METHOD FOR TOTAL HARDNESS DETERMINATION IN WATER is announced by the ELGIN SOFTENER CORPORATION in this issue of SOUTHERN POWER & INDUSTRY. In use for the past year in Elgin laboratories, the VERSENATE method for determining the calcium magnesium and total hardness content of water is claimed to be faster and more accurate than the conventional soap method and is as simple to run as is an alkalinity titration.

- NEW SELF CLOSING DRUM COVERS convert 30 to 55 gal used steel drums into fireproof containers. A fusible link in the detachable PROTECTOSEAL drum cover melts at 160 F, releasing a spring loaded plunger which closes the cover tightly. Cover can be quickly removed for easy cleaning, washing, or burning-out of drum.
- REYNOLDS METALS COMPANY'S JONES MILLS (ARKANSAS) aluminum reduction plant, with an annual capacity of 144,000,000 lb of aluminum, is now in capacity operation for the first time since the war. The plant includes 68 large engine-generator sets capable of supplying 78,000 kw of electric power, which is sufficient to operate only two of the four pot lines. Additional electric power for the two other lines is now available from the new Lake Catherine plant of the Arkansas Power & Light Company.
- THE RELATION BETWEEN THE DIESEL ENGINE and its lubrication oil is one of paradoxes. The engine wants the oil to stay clean, yet it makes it dirty; it wants the oil to stay cool, yet it makes it hot; it wants the oil to be "slippery", yet makes it gritty; it wants to use oil, yet the plant engineer wants to save it. See "Prescription Lubrication" in this issue.
- AGGRESSIVE SALESMANSHIP ON THE PART OF ELECTRIC UTILITIES is needed to meet the growing reserves in power producing capacity, according to C. H. Lang of G-E's Apparatus Department. The power shortage "spook" which has been hovering over the electrical industry for the past five years never really materialized. Instead, the utility companies need more load for their expanded capacity which can be secured only through increased salesmanship.

The electrical industry has the capacity to produce, has the sales tools available to sell this capacity, and the price is right. Mr. Lang emphasizes that the kilowatt hour represents the greatest bargain in the American market today.

- THE MAY MAINTENANCE ISSUE OF SP&I will be made up entirely of direct on-the-job solutions of current maintenance problems described by Southern and Southwestern engineers and executives from actual plant experience. Maintenance ideas and developments will cover piping and valves, buildings and equipment, materials handling, electrical and mechanical maintenance, transmission and lubrication, etc.
- THE MORE POWER TO AMERICA SPECIAL, "first train of its kind in industrial history," will be launched on a nationwide tour by General Electric's Apparatus Department for the inspection of utility and industrial executives. More than 2,000 electrical products, processes and techniques will be displayed. Train, to be hauled by an Alco-G-E two unit, 4,000 hp diesel-electric locomotive, will display the latest advances in power generation and methods and equipment for the profitable use of electricity throughout all industry. Schedule for Southern and Southwestern industrial centers will be noted in an early issue of SP&I.
- USE OF RADIOACTIVE ISOTOPES has several reported advantages over previous methods of using salts and dyes for measuring horizontal mixing in various water and sewage treatment processes. An A.S.C.E. paper notes that radiosotopes can be detected in extremely small concentrations; can be easily identified by many types of modern Geiger counters which give precise results; tracer clouds can be detected through conduit walls, eliminating the necessity of sampling the flow; and temperature changes have no effect. DISADVANTAGES involved are that great care is required to protect personnel and though the cost is usually quite reasonable in some instances the expense runs high when the energy is dissipated during long shipping delays.

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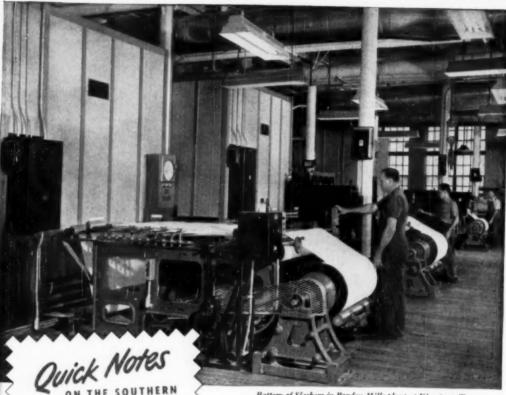
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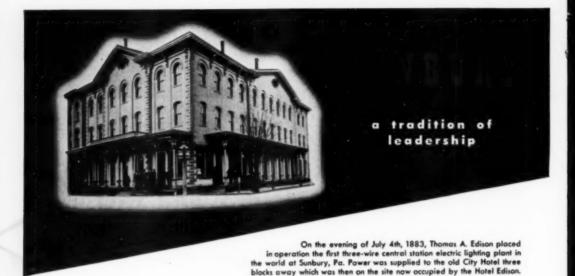
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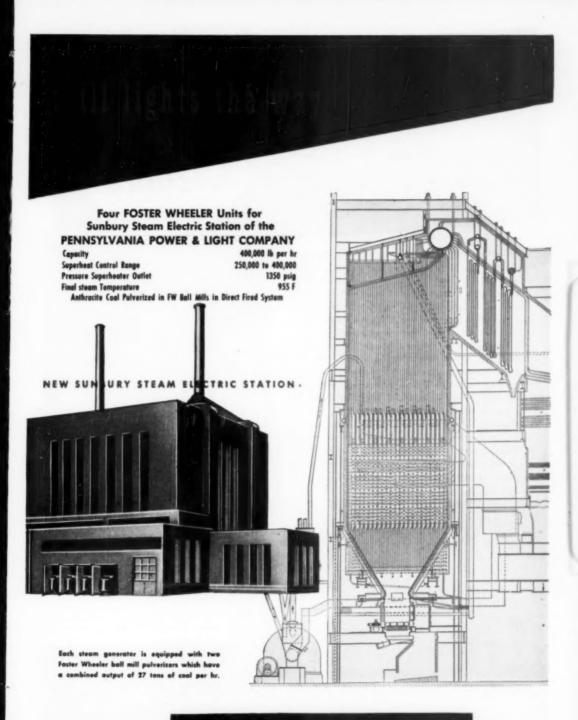


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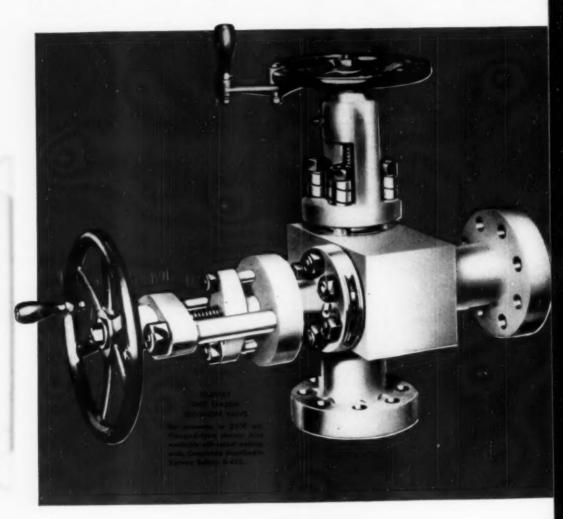
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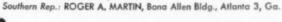
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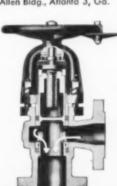
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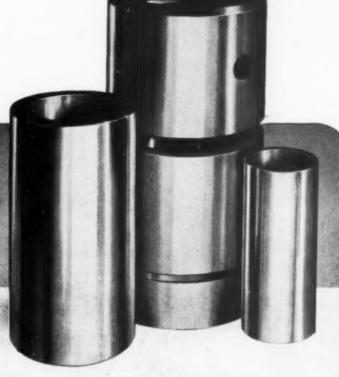
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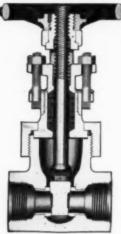
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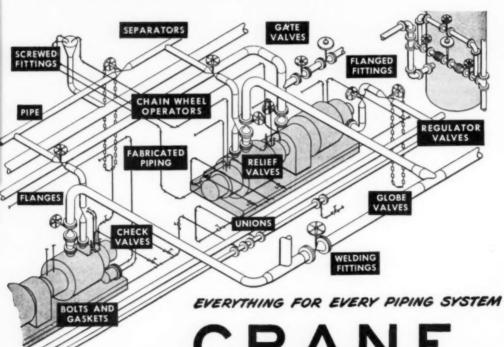
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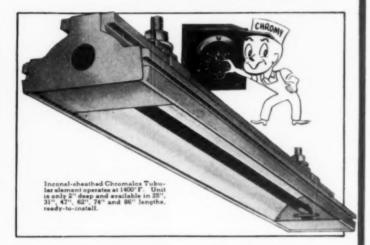
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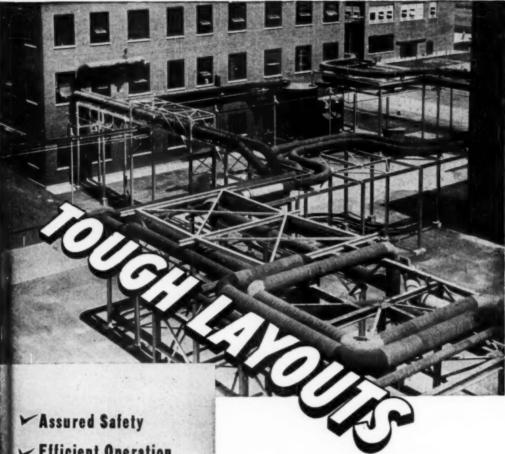
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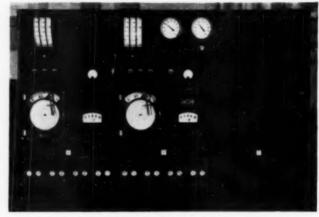
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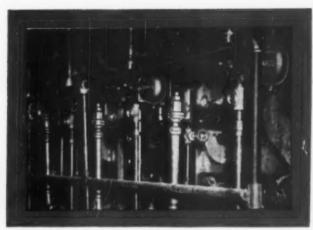


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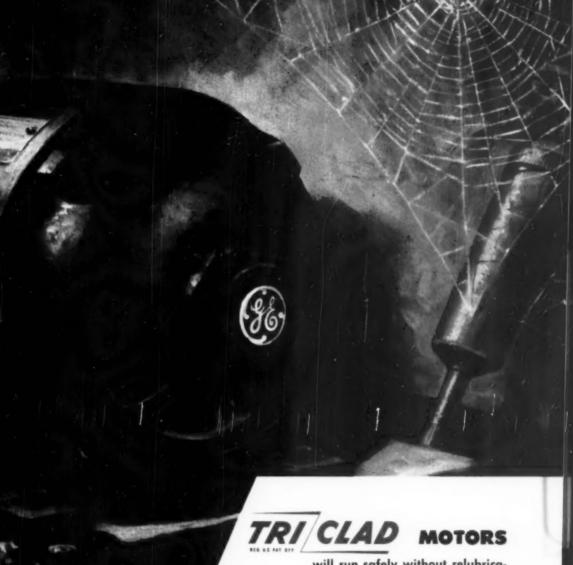
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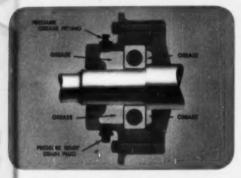
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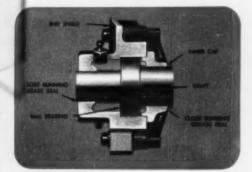
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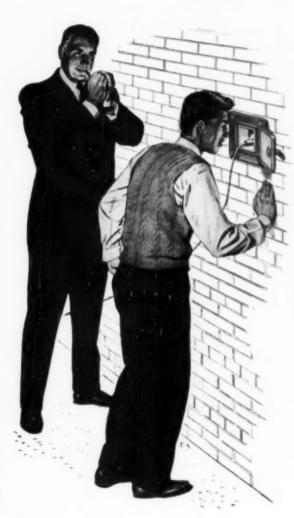
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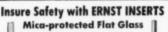


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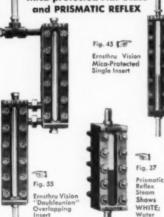




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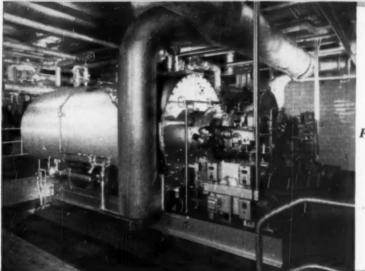


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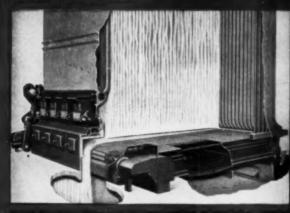
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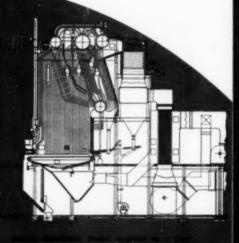
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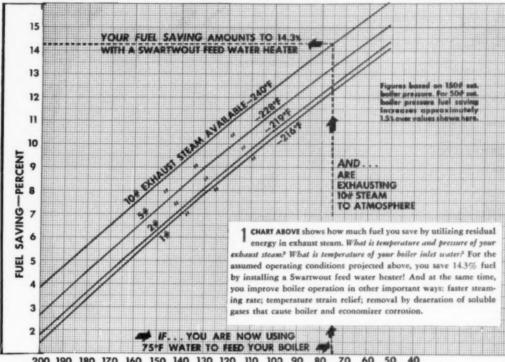
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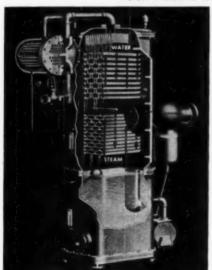
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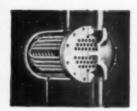


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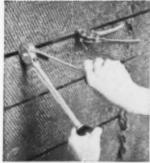


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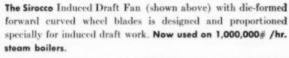


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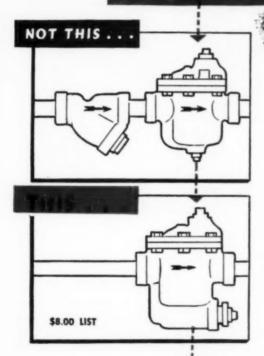
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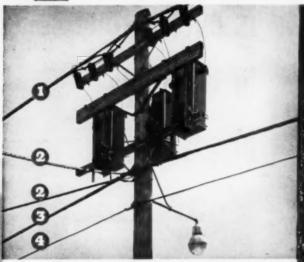
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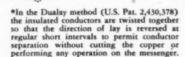


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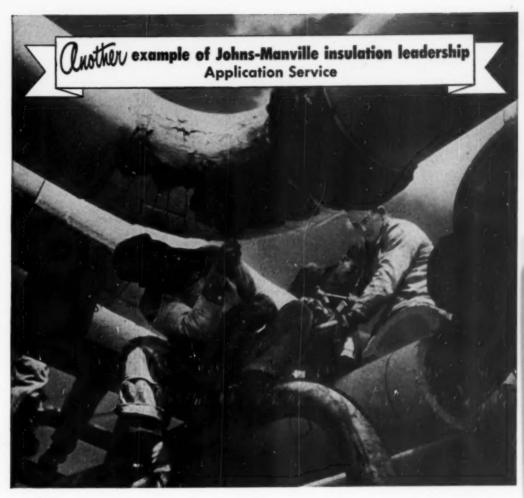
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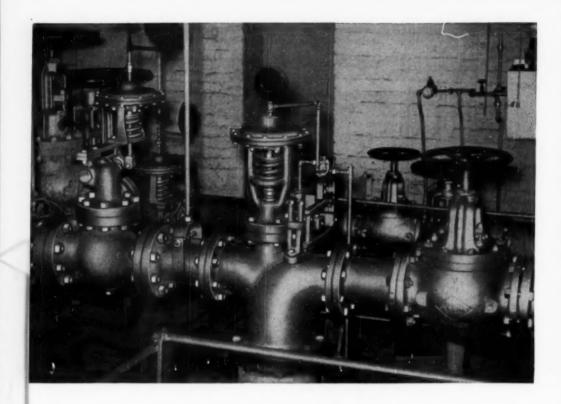
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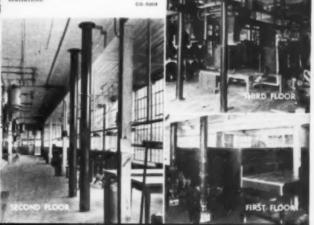






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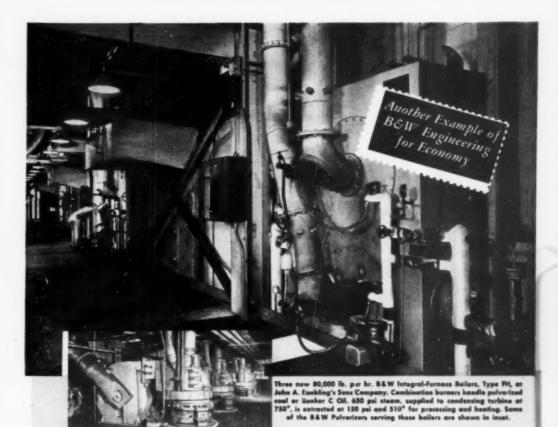
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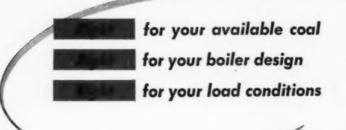
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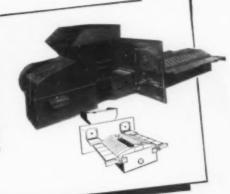
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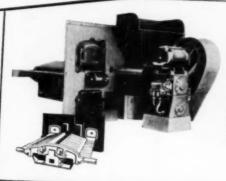
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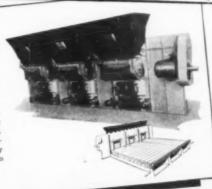
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# **Timely Comments**

# Education Experience Training

SOME INDUSTRIALISTS criticize educational institutions for not delivering "ready - to - go - to - work" graduates, and many graduates are becoming impressed with the difficulty of finding employment on

the basis of their school training. Both points of view are supported by fact. But the blame for this condition does not fall squarely on either the school or the student. Business must reassume its obligation for providing apprentice training.

While there is evidence to indicate that many young people would better go direct into apprentice training rather than college, there is still no place to get that practical training except in industry. And those that are fitted by personality and ability to absorb higher education cannot easily get it anywhere else but in college.

The high cost of living and need for young people to start earning while fairly young seems to leave no other option but for industry to become willing to start them on some kind of work (possibly at a loss) until they can become self supporting. The time required is not long, and the cost to the company is not great. The value of well educated, well trained young employees far exceeds the cost and effort required to orient and bring them to efficient performance.

Regardless of what may be done in the future, present programs and procedures do not allow the time that would be required by schools to provide both education and training. Furthermore, how could the schools accomplish the specific training that would be necessary to meet industry's highly specialized needs today?

Student training programs that were carried on by most large industries before the war need to be reimplemented, and smaller industries need to emulate the same technique to develop employees for their own needs. "How much experience have you?" is an unfair question to put to a young person who has had no opportunity to gain experience. And "How much will you pay?" should not be the first and only thought of the young applicant. Both industry and the applicant have something to offer in addition to experience and pay, and returning to the old system of wide awake apprentice training seems the most logical step toward providing opportunities for young graduates and providing high type personnel for industry.

We heard much talk of training programs during the war. All we need now is revival of proven practices.

# Industrial Development In Oklahoma

OKLAHOMA'S greatest drive for industrial development is now in progress under the auspices of a new organization headed by Oscar Monrad, vicepresident of the First National

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The group represents a consolidation of the Industrial and Mineral Resources Conference and the organization which sponsored the national industrial tour of Oklahomans three years ago.

Purpose of the organization is to acquaint Oklahomans with the resources of the state and through that knowledge inform industrial prospects throughout the nation. Special training courses will be conducted in various parts of the state to point out the necessity of each community knowing what assets, plant sites and buildings are available for prospective industries. Mr. Monrad believes Oklahoma is ready for its greatest period of industrial development.



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# Industry Speaks

# Excessive Steam Producing Costs Found in Small Industrial Plants

BY SOLON E. FRIEDEBERG

Vice President

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Abstracted from an address by Mr. Friedeberg before a section meeting of the A.S.M.E.

**S**TEAM producing costs in the small industrial steam plant, ranging from 150 to 1,500 hp are, with few exceptions, excessive. Some of these plants lack engineering talent, and many have done little in reducing the amount of labor necessary for operation and maintenance.

The expansion of an industrial plant almost always requires increased service facilities, of which steam for processing, heating, power or refrigeration is an important factor. When such expansion is contemplated, the time is opportune to conduct a complete survey of steam generating capacities and the physical condition of such equipment. The survey must also cover existing steam requirements and the increase of steam load that will be imposed on the steam plant must be determined fairly accurately.

#### Unsound Methods

Too often when the need for economy or a larger steam supply becomes evident, the improvement, expansion or building of new steam generating facilities is undertaken without necessary engineering information and data.

These are unsound methods and usually result in a plant unable to produce the results anticipated, or one in which the investment is such that fixed charges are out of line with operating costs.

Proposals for steam plant improvement must evidence good engineering and be economically sound to interest plant management. Many opportunities are existent for plant betterment and unless investment in boiler plant improvements can show equally favorable returns they are not likely to be considered.

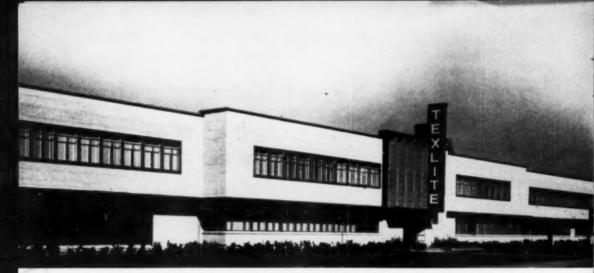
The development of any plan for boiler plant improvement will require information as to existing steam generation and the cost to produce same. The steam generated should be measured. No valid reason exists for not installing equipment to measure the quantity of steam produced. A record of fuel used should also be kept. Fuel-oil and gas can be readily metered. With a little ingenuity the volume of coal consumed can be recorded, converted to pounds and checked periodically against invoices or bills of lading. Knowledge as to the quantity of steam generated per pound of fuel consumed, together with the calorific value of the fuel used, the steam pressure and temperature of the feedwater will be sufficient to approximate boiler plant efficiencies. The existing level of boiler plant efficiency will be a determining factor as to the extent of improvement. Many conditions cause poor boiler plant efficiency. Their cause should be determined by engineers who are qualified to conduct such investigations.

#### Combustion Controls a Help

Instructing personnel in the proper methods of burning fuel will bring about economies. However, the installation of combustion controls is a definite aid in maintaining such economies, especially where fuel-oil or gas is used. Mechanical means are gradually replacing hand firing in small industrial steam plants. A good stoker installation will effect considerable economy and pay for itself in a reasonable length of time. Plants using coal should also consider coal handling equipment as a means of reducing the amount of labor required to operate the boiler plant.

The mechanization of the plants and the consequent elimination of menial labor would attract higher types of personnel as attendants who would not only maintain the plant in better physical condition but would be capable of keeping records of value to management in determining the cost of steam production.

Boiler plant auxiliaries as well as the boiler house structure should receive careful planning. The results produced by the expansion of an existing boiler plant or the building of a new boiler plant will be directly proportional to the kind of engineering that went into its conception.



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# Texlite's New Plant in Dallas, Texas

Here is a description of Texlite's new factory in Dallas, Texas, which is completely equipped to handle a neon sign from the creation by its designers, complete engineering of structures, fabrication and enameling of all faces, fillers and then the building and assembly of the frame and electrical portions.

TEXLITE'S new plant in Dallas, Texas, is located on approximately 5.8 acres in one of the most modern industrial sections of the Southwest. The building has a 288 ft front, goes back at its widest point 509 ft and has railway trackage on two sides. Restrictions in the highly planned Airlawn Industrial Section specify that buildings must be set back 50 ft from the street front and prohibit loading docks on any street exposure.

The building is of steel construction with bays 28 ft x 65 ft. All steel, chain operated, sash are provided every 28 ft in monitor type roof, which provides daylight working conditions all over the plant. The roof is of 2 in. gypsum planking with a twenty year bond-

This article was prepared from information furnished by H. H. WINEBURGH. President. TEX-LITE. INC., in collaboration with J. E. BOURLAND. Vice President in Charge of Engineering.

ed built-up roof. The outside of the plant is of brick and corrugated transite with steel wall sash.

The concrete plant floor is of 6-in., 3,000 lb test metallic surface hardened, and is built at railway car and truck loading height. Service ramps are also provided so that trucks can be brought into the plant.

The low bays of the plant have 12 ft clearance to the bottom of roof

truss with the roof deck 15 ft above floor. The high bay and area around the continuous furnace has 16 ft clearance with the roof deck 19 ft above the floor. This provides adequate clearance for overhead conveyors. The roof is raised to 30 ft over the hydro press, continuous furnace and box furnaces to provide for clearance and heat traps.

Every consideration has been given to the comfort of the employees. All restrooms are finished in glazed tile including all toilet partitions and shower stalls. All doors on toilet stalls are finished in porcelain enamel panels. The plant is complete with a 28 ft x 50 ft company operated cafeteria for employees. Parking facilities provide for approximately one

#### Brief History of the Southwest's Unique Texlite. Inc.

Slightly over twenty-five years ago, Texlite, Inc., then known as the Texlite Electric Sign Company, was located on a small unpaved street in Dallas,

The company's chief manufacturing was that of electric signs. This was in the days before neon, and practically all signs were interior illuminated with raised glass letters or used exposed lamps. The faces were either painted or covered with ground glass known as smaltz. The use of porcelain enamel for sign faces was almost unknown.

#### First Neon Sign

In 1926, Texlite built the first neon sign of their own, which was erected on a shoe store in Dallas, Texas, and is still burning today. The use of neon gave great impetus to the sign business throughout the country and Texlite outgrew their original plant. They made arrangements in 1927 to occupy a much larger building on Commerce Street in Dallas. The porcelain enamel adaptation to the sign business was increasing in leaps and bounds. At that time Texlite had to buy their porcelain enamel either in Chicago, the West Coast, or in the East. Delivery was slow, and it was very difficult to compete with some of the national companies who were shipping signs into the Southwest.

In 1930, Texlite decided to install a porcelain enamel plant in order to make sign faces for their neon signs.

#### Expansion

In 1935 a fire destroyed practically everything that was in the Commerce Street plant in the way of machinery, equipment, inventory, etc. The company then bought a building on Factory Street from which Texlite moved last year. This building was built in 1917 and used as a supply depot in World War I. After the war, the government sold the building to a mattress factory and it was in bad condition. Texlite took this building over, did a certain amount of remodeling, completely rebuilt and modernized their furnace and at the same time added more modern equipment.

#### National Sales

Early in 1937 Texlite realized that there was a tremendous need for all types of porcelain enamel signs, not only throughout the Southwest but in other parts of the country. A new radiant tube furnace was installed which was, at that time, the largest box type furnace in the world. All efforts to sell local neon signs except in Dallas were discontinued, and the major efforts in that department were concentrated in the national field. As Texlite, at that time, was the only porcelain enameling concern in the Southwest, many of the sign companies who were looking for a closer source of supply began buying their sign faces from Texlite, and have been doing so ever since.

A few months after World War II broke out, it became apparent that the sign business would be discontinued throughout the country until after the war was over. Texlite, like many other companies, converted their facilities to war work, fabricating and installing a number of parts for the shipyards along the Gulf Coast. They also manufactured numerous aircraft component parts.

#### **Need for Additional Expansion**

After World War II, many companies who had not been able to buy signs during the war had tremendous requirements on hand. Texlite realized the importance of expansion. Application was made to the city of Dallas for a permit to build additional facilities but the city had planned for the expansion of the Love Field Airport adjacent to the factory and refused the permit. The management of Texlite knew they would have to find a new location and build a new plant. At this point, it was deemed advisable to send J. E. Bourland, Chief Engineer, on a trip from coast to coast to investigate all of the newest and most efficient types of manufacture, so that the new plant which was recently occupied would be one that would accomplish three things:

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able to do a metal fabrication job far beyond what most porcelain enameling companies are in a po-

The New Pickling department, 28 x 177 ft, is of the most modern design. This portion of the plant, completely sealed off by two large doors, is of rigid truss construction with a gabled corrugated transite roof and finished with an acid-resisting, salt glazed tile. Room has a 138 ft monoral and 2-ton yale & Towne power travel hoist, which carries large baskets through pickling operations.





METAL IS RECEIVED FROM A BOX CAR AT ONE END OF THE METAL FABRICATION AREA. IT IS UNLOADED FROM CAR AND HANDLED BY A 5,000 LB CAPACITY CLEVELAND TRAMRAIL BRIDGE CRANE OF 40 FT SPAN WITH A 75 FT CARRIAGE. CRANE HANDLES SHEET STOCK FROM STORAGE AREA TO THE SHEARS. FROM SHEARING OPERATION, METAL TRAVELS BY SEMI-LIVE JACK TRUCKS OR BY PALLETS AND CLARK LIFT TRUCKS TO THE PRESS AND FABRICATION OF DEPARTMENT.

sition to do, a large portion in the front of the factory has been allotted to house this special metalworking machinery.

The press department is equipped with twelve presses with 36-in. throats and gang punches. The power brake department is equipped with five power brakes from 2 ft up to 14 ft beds. Much of the work fabricated is of a complicated nature requiring hand fabrication, which is performed in a well equipped section of the metal fabrication division. After the metal is fabricated, it is carried to a raw bank storage area which is adjacent to the pickling room of the porcelain enamel department.

FRIT, THE BASIC INGREDIENT FOR ENAMELING, IS RECEIVED IN CAR-LOADS AND UNLOADED FROM TRACKS OUTSIDE THE PLANT TO THE SECOND

FLOOR STORAGE AREA BY A SERIES OF

HARRY J. FERGUSON POWER BUILT CONVEYORS. ONE 26 FT "STREAM-LINER, JR." FEEDS TO STATIONARY



# Pickling Department

Because of the great importance of the cleansing and special preparation required before metal is porcelain enameled, the new pickling department is of the most modern design and has several new ideas incorporated in its construction. Several features of this department are illustrated.

The tanks are set in a pit which is approximately 6 ft deep with stairs at either end of the pit so that the operator can control the tanks from the walkway, which is in the bottom of the pit. The pickling room is equipped with one steel cleansing tank, one steel



UNIT ON SECOND FLOOR. THIS MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR THREE MEN TO UN-LOAD A 60,000 LB CAR OF FRIT IN LESS THAN FOUR HOURS.

rinse tank, a brick acid tank, rinse tank, a nickel and nickel rinse, a steel neutralizer tank and a steel gas fired dryer. Provisions have been made for an additional cleaner tank to be put in later. These tanks are approximately 7 ft 6-in. in depth, 5 ft 6-in. in width and 13 ft 6-in. long. They are designed to accommodate signs 6 ft high x 12 ft in length or for sanitary ware, stove liners, refrigerator liners, and other materials requiring considerable area for pickling.

This room has its own exhaust The outside wall is equipped with a honeycomb tile arrangement which lets fresh air in and is exhausted through four 135,-000 cfm exhaust fans. These fans change the air once per minute in the pickling room and exhaust the fumes, steam, etc. through the roof. This room is windowless and is lighted by side mounted, wide angle, porcelain enamel reflectors. Built into this pickling room is a complete control laboratory which is also finished in acid resisting glazed tile. This laboratory is complete with all chemical testing equipment to control the pickling room operation.

At one end of the pickling room, sealed off from the acid fumes, is a boiler room which is equipped with an 87 hp, 100 lb, fully automatic boiler. This boiler is complete with automatic pump for pumping steam condensate return into the boiler, low water cut-off, pilot flame failure, gas failure, and with every modern safety device which can be installed upon a boiler. It is a completely automatic operation.

The mill room of the new plant is one of the finest and most modern in the enameling industry. The walls and columns of this room are faced with acid-resisting glazed tile, which makes it possible to periodically clean the room with a hose. The operation of this room can be better understood when one understands the tremendous problem of compounding, grinding and

testing over 400 colors in porcelain enamel. Each of these enamel colors are compounded from raw materials by special formulas developed by Texlite over the years.

The storing of the basic materi-

als which go into making milled enamel and the loading of the large pebble mills, in which the enamel is ground, has been a major problem. Much study was given to the layout of this room and it was decided that overhead storage and chute loading of mills was the answer.

A second story section is built over the mill room and laboratory for the storage of porcelain enamel frit. This room has storage capacity to handle six railroad cars of frit at one time.

Frit is loaded into any one of a battery of mills in the mill room through hoppers and chutes in the

J. E. BOURLAND, VICE PRESIDENT IN CHARGE OF ENGINEERING FOR TEXTITE, INC., DEMONSTRATES HOW PICKLING ROOM SERVICE PIT, APPROXIMATELY 6 FT IN DEPTH, SIMPLIFIES TANK CONTROL AND MAINTENANCE. OUTSIDE WALL OF PICKLING ROOM IS EQUIPPED WITH A HONEYCOMB TILE ARRANGEMENT WHICH LETS FRESHAIR IN AND IS EXHAUSTED THROUGH FOUR 135,000 CFM EXHAUST FANS.

floor of the storage area. Various mill additions and color oxides are blended ir. the control laboratory and added to frit to make various colors. Water is added to the mill, through a very sensitive, pre-determining water meter which allows the correct amount of water to be placed in each mill. Enamel is ground in water cooled ball mills, which are directly driven by gear-head motors. Each mill is con-

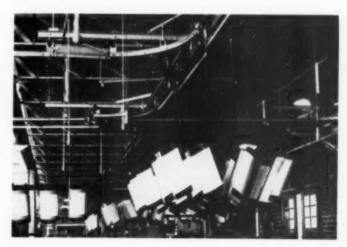
trolled by a revolution counter, so that each mill run is an exact match to master color samples. After mills have ground to exact time, specimens are removed from the milled enamel. Fineness, specific gravity and color match is checked and color samples are made in the laboratory adjacent to the mill room.

This laboratory is equipped with spray booth, electric laboratory furnace controlled by a pyrometer and timing device, electric dryer, experimental cleaning and pickling set-up and necessary experimental and testing equipment to guarantee continued quality porcelain enamel products. The mill room is equipped with a complete system of floor chases to keep milled enamel and mill washings from getting into sewerage. There are 168 ft of trench which is divided into 14 small settling basins by use of removable weirs. There is also a total of six, large sumps to eliminate all settling in the sewerage lines outside the building.

## Spray Booths and Equipment

The porcelain plant is equipped with four spray booths ranging from one 5 ft in width to an 18 ft water washed booth. All spray booths are equipped with 30 gal and 60 gal pressure feed tanks with air driven agitators. All sumps and floor drains have been built into the building for future addition of automatic spray equipment for laydown type conveyor.

PORTION OF THE EXTENSIVE MONORAIL SYSTEM THROUGHOUT THE TEXLITE PLANT. THIS MONORAL SYSTEM
IS DESIGNED SO THAT PORCELAIN
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THESE MONORAL DOLLIES INTO THE
SLOT TYPE FURNACE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY A POWER DRIVEN UNIT
ELIMINATING THE NECESSITY OF THE
BURNER PUSHING WARE INTO AND
DISCHARGING THE FURNACE AFTER THE
BURNING OPERATION.





Texlite compounds over 400 colors in porcelain enamel and has 36 different colors which are available in neon tubing. Here is part of a typical order in Texlite's shipping department.

#### Brushing and Screen Process

The stencil department and dark room for the photographic screen process is located on the mezzanine immediately adjacent to the brushing room and over the rest rooms and superintendent's office of the porcelain plant. The dark room is 20 ft x 20 ft, air conditioned and is equipped to make photographic screens up to 8 ft in length. The dark room is complete with screen developing equipment, dryers, vacuum printing frames, carbon arc lamps, and other equipment for complete fabrication of screens of stainless steel, phosphorus bronze and silk.

The stencil department is equipped with layout tables and necessary equipment for producing paper stencils and zinc stencils as required for fine work.

The brushing room is 55 ft x 72 ft and is closed off from the balance of the porcelain plant. Conveyor chases have been left in the wall for a connection to the continuous furnace when it is installed at a later date. Provisions also have been made for the monorail from the slot top furnace to extend through the brushing room so that the ware can be brushed and hung directly upon the burning tools.

The screen process department is 40 ft x 55 ft and is complete with a gas fired 30 ft tunnel type dryer, so that multicolors can be put on before they are fired. This department is equipped with screening tables with magnetic hold-downs, operated by d-c motor generator sets, which insure perfect

registration and control multicolor work. Provisions have been made adjacent to this department for execution of special ceramic art. A unit as long as 30 ft can be set up and be hand painted at one time.

#### **Furnaces**

The plant is equipped with two box furnaces and with provisions for a clever burner continuous furnace which will be installed at a later date. One box furnace is a muffle type, 5 ft x 12 ft with a 5 ft side wall. This furnace is loaded with two speed forks. The second box furnace is of a new radiant tube type, semi-automatic, slot in roof design with a firing chamber 5 ft x 13 ft with a 6 ft side wall. The front door on this furnace lowers into a pit at the front of the furnace and the ware is charged into the furnace with a monorail conveyor which passes through a slot in the top.

Plans have been made and provisions made in the roof sections of the building to greatly expand this furnace conveyor system to connect all spray booths, brushing room, screen process area and continuous dryers at a later date. Every care has been taken to protect the furnace men from heat which is usually prevalent around a box type furnace. The building has been built with a 30 ft high ceiling heat trap over each furnace. These heat traps are equipped with gravity heat louvres and power exhaust units so that furnace heat can be dissipated out of the building. The burners and exhaust manifold system at the rear of radiant tube furnace are encased by a heat insulated wall and heat is removed by power exhausters.

#### Neon Department

The neon department is set up adjacent to the neon assembly and the neon sign fabrication department and is equipped with one glass bending table which is 6 ft wide and 30 ft long and is designed to accommodate six glass blowers. The glass burners are mounted on stands adjustable as to height, two for each glass blower, adjacent to the bending table. All air and gas for operation of these blowers is placed in a floor chase under the floor, with outlets provided for each burner. At each glass blower's working space a cool air duct blows a blast of air from beneath the glass bending tables to provide comfort for the glass blowers. This department is completely with neon vacuum equipped pumps, burning tables and other process equipment required for the complete manufacture and processing of all types of neon tubing and lighting. The neon department is equipped with a 100 amp bombarding transformer for the curing and burning-in of neon tubes.

#### Neon Frame Building and Assembly

The frame building and assembly department is complete with all structural steel fabricating equipment, Universal iron worker, shears, angle punches and a complete welding department where quantity neon signs are built by use of weld jigs and are assembled in assembly jigs. This department is equipped with a synthetic spray booth for painting of angle iron frames and all metal portions of the sign not finished in porcelain enamel. This booth is 26 ft long x 9 ft wide and is complete with exhaust system which handles 135,-000 cu ft of air per minute. Fireproof doors with explosion proof fixtures are used on this spray booth. The roof of this portion of the building is designed so that monorail bridge cranes can be installed for overhead handling of all signs through the assembly opera-

# Shipping Department

The shipping department adja-

cent to the neon assembly area is equipped with 16,500 lb floor type dial scales for verifying weights and is located so that signs can be handled with power fork lift trucks directly into railroad cars or trucks for LCL shipment. This shipping department is located in such a manner that it is both close to the neon assembly as to the final processes of porcelain enamel signs and Adjacent to the shipping department is adequate space set up for storage of standard stock letters and standard stock signs which are shipped from Texlite stock to various destinations over the whole United States.

#### Tool Room

The plant is equipped with a complete tool room, where all Texlite designed fabrication, tools such as blanking dies, forming dies, and assembly jigs are built. This department is equipped with a Van Norman SU 26 Universal Milling Machine, tool room lathes, shapers, V36 and V26 DoALL saws, precision drill presses, die filing machines, radial drill, complete heat treating equipment, with an inspection department equipped with a 36 in. x 74 in. surface table, Rockwell machine and all necessary gauges and equipment for assuring quality production.

## Air System

Realizing the importance of adequate clean air the new Texlite plant is installing a completely controlled system. A new Ingersoll-Rand double stage air compressor furnishes 405 cfm. Provisions have been made in the air compressor room for a second unit of the same type and size to be put in at a later date. The air compressor is complete with an inner and after cooler.

These units are cooled with a circulating pump and a water tower located on the roof above. This water circulating system is complete with visible flow indicators, thermometer wells and provision so that the circulation of the water to the cooling tower can be short circuited during extreme winter conditions to eliminate freezing.

Adjacent to this new compressor a 175 cfm Westinghouse compressor is mounted, which is used for

auxiliary air and for third shift operation. The air from this compressor flows through the same after-cooler unit which handles the air from the new compressor. This air is pumped into an R-7 air receiver, which is 12 ft high and 5 ft in diameter. From this receiver a 4 in, air manifold system runs the complete length of the building. From this air manifold, headers run out to the various pieces of air operated equipment. The complete air manifold system is laid out so that adequate condensation can be drained from the line. Every attempt has been made to eliminate condensation and oil from the air system.

#### Special Features

There is a special room for the making of acetylene, and to house the oxygen manifold and tanks. A feature for the comfort of the employees are the very fine tile restrooms conveniently located through the plant. Each restroom has ample showers and lockers so that every employee will be able to prepare himself after work with a minimum of lost time.

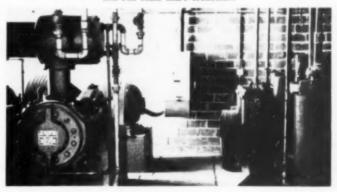
The plant is equipped with Yale and Towne semi-live skids with roll away jacks for the handling of sheet stocks through the fabrication department. Clark fork trucks are used for all heavy lifting and moving of material. A special 7,000 lb, 144-in, lift unit handles large

signs through the warehouse and crating and loading areas, while a 4,000 lb truck is used in the shipping department for the handling of large cartons, loading and unloading railroad cars and handling boxes and crates. The mill room is equipped with hydraulic lift trucks for handling of milled enamel from the mill to the various spraying booths. All enamel cans are set on steel platforms so they can be handled with a hydraulic jack truck.

### Engineering and Designing Department

A complete engineering and designing department is located in the office section of the building. The drafting and designing section is contained within a large office, which is 35 ft x 65 ft. The art department and layout rooms are air conditioned and are lighted with cold cathode continuous strip lighting, which was designed and built by Texlite. Each strip of light consists of four 25 millimeter tubes powered by 200 milliamp cold cathode transformers. All light fixtures are of standard design as manufactured by Texlite. The office portion of the plant is lighted with General Electric Slim Line lamps, each office being equipped with two light units of four tubes each, assuring 60 ft candlepower of light. The complete plant is lighted with 85 watt, two tube industrial fluorescent lamps.

THE INGERSOLL-RAND DOUBLE STAGE AIR COMPRESSOR AT THE LEFT FURNISHES 405 CFM. AIR INTAKE SYSTEM IS FILTERED THROUGH AN OIL FILTER UNIT WHICH IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 12 FT ABOVE THE GROUND OUTSIDE THE BUILDING. SERVICE PLATFORM IS PROVIDED SO THAT THESE OIL FILTER MATS CAN BE REMOVED AND CLEANED AS REQUIRED. THE 175 CFM WESTINGHOUSE COMPRESSOR AT THE RIGHT IS USED FOR AUXILIARY AIR AND FOR THIRD SHIFT OPERATION.



# **Knox Lee Plant**

Southwestern Gas and Electric Company

# Pressurized Furnace Operates at 8.5 Inches Water Gauge

THEE TRAVELING SCREENS CAPABLE OF MANUALING WATER REQUIREMENTS

THREE TRAVELING SCREENS CAPABLE OF HANDLING WATER REQUIREMENTS FOR PLANT OF 180,000 KW ARE INSTALLED.

LECTRIC power from Southwestern Gas and Electric Company's new Knox Lee power plant began flowing into the power lines of East Texas in January. The first of two 30,000 kw Preferred Standard turbine generators was placed on the lines several months earlier than originally scheduled. A second identical unit is scheduled for operation early in 1951.

Knox Lee plant is 10 miles southeast of Longview, Tex., near the heart of the huge East Texas oil field. It is named in honor of the late Knox Lee, vice president and East Texas division manager for Southwestern, a pioneer in East Texas electric power developments.

### Water Supply

The plant is located on the shores of Lake Cherokee, an artificial lake covering 4,300 acres. The dam and lake, completed early in 1949 and costing approximately a million dollars, was built entirely by business men and sportsmen of East Texas as a fishing and recreational center and for industrial use. Water storage of 62,000 acre feet at spillway level, is in excess of 20 billion gallons.

Cooling water from the lake is brought into the plant by a 280foot channel from the neck of the

# By Sam Schwieger

Southwestern Gas and Electric Company Shreveport, Louisiana

lake to the side of the plant. The channel is 10 feet wide at the bottom. The water intake crib which is located at the end of the building has space for three traveling screens capable of handling the water requirements of the ultimate capacity of 180,000 kw.

An intake tunnel six feet high by 14 feet wide extends from the crib under the entire length of the turbine room. Two vertical circulating water pumps, each rated at 22,500 gallons per minute at 25-foot head, extend down to the intake tunnel and are connected through a combination valve and expansion joint directly to the condenser.

Water leaves the opposite end of the single-pass condenser from the bottom of the water box directly into the discharge tunnel which is immediately above the intake tunnel. From the plant the water is discharged through a tunnel eight feet wide by nine feet high to an open channel, 22 feet

wide at the bottom to 65 feet wide at ground level. The water is discharged into the lake at a point 10,000 feet distant from the place where the intake channel ties to the lake.

#### Fuel

Natural gas fuel for the plant is brought in by a six-inch, high pressure line which ties to a 20-inch trunk line of the United Gas Pipe Line Company. The gas comes principally from the Carthage, Texas field, located about 40 miles from the plant, and one of the major gas fields in America.

# **Buildings and Equipment**

The plant proper is housed in a building 80 feet wide and 140 feet long, with an added lower extension of 20 feet for office space. The building is of brick and re-inforced concrete for sub-structure, with outdoor boiler arrangement. Outside brick is light buff, and inside is lighter buff face

brick with light green wainscoating throughout.

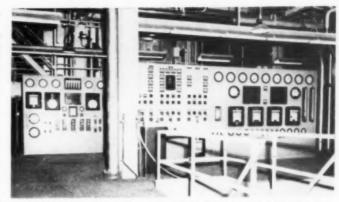
Grade level of the plant is 292.6 feet, Basement floor level is 284 feet and top of building 363 feet. Operating floor level is at 308 feet. The basement floor contains circulating pumps, boiler feed pumps, condensing and auxiliary equipment, shops, battery room and storeroom.

The lobby entrance to the building is an intermediary floor, or first floor of the office wing on a level between basement floor and turbine floor. This includes lobby entrance, locker rooms and rest room facilities. The second floor of office wing includes offices, laboratory and meeting room.

The turbine floor or operating floor houses all control boards, auxiliary switching gear. Several galleries at higher levels give access to deaerating, heating and evaporator control equipment.

Turbines are completely housed within the building and a 50-ton capacity overhead crane is provided that is capable of handling any single piece of equipment. One outdoor type boiler per unit fronts to and forms one side of the building. In a bay 27 feet wide between the turbine room and the boiler front is located the main control board, the boiler control board and the main auxiliary switchgear. Also in this bay on the floor above is located the deaerator, evaporator, two distilled water tanks and the service water tank.

Station service water is supplied



SECTION OF CONTROL BOARD IMMEDIATELY BACK OF TURBO-GENERATOR.

tical pumps. A 15,000 gallon storage tank is floated on the service water header to maintain the supply in case of a pump failure. Water for bearing cooling and evaporator make-up is taken from the tank rather than the header in order to benefit from additional settling time.

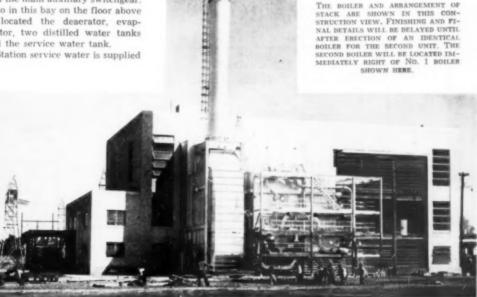
# **Extraction Turbine**

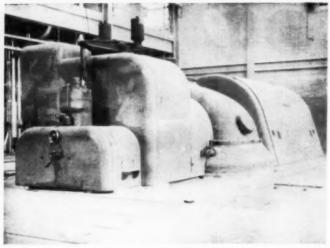
The turbine generator, having one Curtis stage and 28 reaction

by either of two 1,200 gpm ver- stages, is supplied with steam at 850 psig and 900 degrees F. Extraction steam is taken from the 15th, 20th, 23rd, and 26th stages and supplied to two vertical low pressure heaters, the deaerating heater, and one high pressure heater respectively. The closed heaters are mounted vertically adjacent to the turbine foundation.

# Pressurized Furnace

The boiler is a new departure in design in that the furnace is





VIEW OF TURBO-GENERATOR.

designed for pressure operation. No induced draft fan is required and only one forced draft fan is used. This is a 3,600 rpm, axial flow, single wheel fan driven by a 500 hp constant speed motor and is rated at 100,000 cfm at 25 inches of water pressure. Air flow is con-

trolled by vanes on the inlet to the

Pressure in the furnace at full load is to be at 8.3 inches water, so special care was taken in design to reduce gas leakage through the setting to a minimum. Furnace wall tubes are 3-inches in diameter

and boiler side walls have 3-inch tubes with studs. Back surfaces of all of these tubes are sealed with refractory cement covered with a 10-gauge steel skin casing. Five-inch vermiculite block insulation and an outer casing of 10-gauge steel plate completes the boiler setting.

The stack, set on top of the air heater, is steel, gunite lined. Outer diameter is 7 feet, seven inches, and height is 56 feet and three inches.

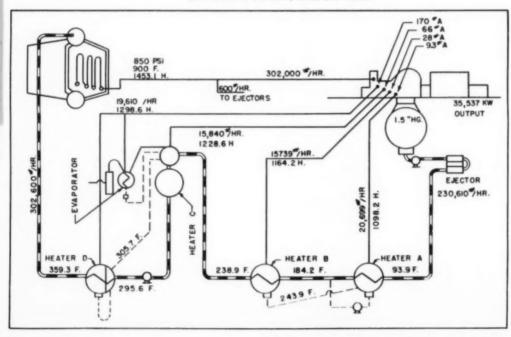
Advantages expected from the type of boiler are:

- 1. With no air infiltration through boiler walls, lower excess air may be carried with consequent higher boiler efficiency.
- Auxiliary power requirements are reduced by 300 hp because of elimination of the inducted draft fan.
- 3. Simplification of duct and stack arrangement is attained.

# Auxiliary Service

The generator is connected through a 35,000 kva, 3-phase, 13,200/138,000 volt transformer to a ring bus composed, at present, of three 132 kv oil circuit breakers.

HEAT BALANCE DIAGRAM, KNOX LEE PLANT



Two outgoing 132 kv lines tying into the other two legs of the ring connect the plant to the sys-

A reserve auxiliary transformer. 138,000/2,300 volt, rated at 3,750 kva is connected to a line section of the ring and feeds one end of the metal clad auxiliary switchgroup inside the plant building. The main auxiliary transformer is located on the opposite end of

the switchgroup and is connected to the terminals of the generator. It is a 2,500 kva, 13,200/2,300 volt, 3-phase, air-cooled transformer.

Auxiliary motors above 100 hp are 2,300 volt and below 100 hp are 440 volt.

Plant station service is from 2,300 volt switchgear supplied directly from the terminals of the generator through the auxiliary transformer.

Domestic water requirements for the plant are provided by water from deep wells, chlorine-treated.

Earl Lowery will serve as Chief Engineer of the new Knox Lee plant, according to Frank M. Wilkes, President of the company Lowery formerly operated the company's plant at Marshall, Tex., and in 1928 became Chief Engineer of the Karnack, Tex., plant when it was put into operation.

# **Principal Equipment**

# Knox Lee Power Plant—Southwestern Gas and Electric Company Easton, Texas

#### GENERAL

Name of Station	Power Plant.
Site10 miles	SE of Lengview.
Total Generating Capacity33,000 kw	(first unit).
Total Boiler Capacity302,000 lb	per hr (first unit).
Steam Pressure	
Steam Temperature 900 F. Cooling Water Source Lake Chero	kas
Consulting Engineers Sargent &	Lundy.

#### GENERATING UNIT

Turbine-Generator One Westinghouse	Electric
Corp., AIEE-ASME preferred atandard 30	
3,600 rpm, 850 psi, 900 F and 1.5 in Hg. (	
35,294 kva, 0.85 pf, 30,000 kw, 3,600 rpm,	
circuit ratio, 3 phase, 60 cycle, 18.8 hydrogen cooled.	ou veit.

Main			connected,		
Pilot	exci	ter.	OneW		

# 250 volt, direct connected, enclosed self-ventilated

# CONDENSING EQUIPMENT

Condenser								
	single page, divided							
	containing 3,660 1"	tubes	26'0"	long.	No.	18	B.W	.G.
	arrenical conner							

Circulating Water Pumps Two-Allis-Chalmers	Mfg	Co.
54" x 42" YDVRM vertical pumps per 22,500 gpm at 25 ft total head, 400 rg		
by Allis Chalmers 200 hp, type AMV,		

motor.		
Condensate Pumps	Two-Allis-Chalmers	Mfg. Co.
8" x 6" C	2 two-stage pumps per unit.	500 gam
at 310 ft	total head, 1750 rpm, driven	by Allia
	5 he tune ARW 440 well med	

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Air	Ejector		One-	-Allis	Chalmers	Mfg.	Co.
	two-stage	Cw in	element	steam	air eject	or.	
Pri	ming Ejectors		Two	Allia	-Chalmera	Mfg.	Co.

single stage sican ojectors.

Circulating Water Valves

combination rubber seat butterfly valve and expansion joint.

# BOILER FEEDWATER EQUIPMENT

Boiler	Feed Pumps Two-Worthington Pump &
	Machinery Corp. 6UN-2, 810 gpm, 2,625 ft head. 3,550 rpm, driven by two General Electric Co. 800
	hp Type 6348Z, 2,300 volt, 8,550 rpm induction

Descrating	Heater .	On	ie -W	orthing	ton	Pump 4
		Corp., 302				horizonta
	single elem	ent, double	shell,	tray 1	ype.	
Extraction	Feedwater	Heaters:				

High Pressure	One-Gris	scom Russell,	No. 28
180, Style LSU	vertical U-tube	e heater with	integra
sub-coiling zer	ie 1414 sq ft	surface, 640	-5/8"
copper nickel			
Low Pressure	Two - G	riscom-Russell	. Style
SSU, vertical U	1-tube.		

#### BOILER AND ACCESSORIES

Boiler	pany, integral furnace,	type FH	outdoor type.
	designed for pressurized standby, 300,000 lb per temperature 1,000 psi, 9	hr, design	pressure and

Superheater	cock & Wilcox Com
many. loop tube. Final tempe	trature Plo E, auto
circulation of steam through	tubes in the bottom
houler drum	

Air	Heater		One-Babcock	& Wilcox Com-
	pany	tubular,	single air pass-two	gas pass, 53,300
***	aq II	surface.	Till	- Mann Rador

#### DRAFT EQUIPMENT

Forced	Draft FanOne — Sturtevant Division, Westinghouse Electric Corp., No. 26-24-49 axial flow 7-bladed fan with vanc control. Designed to deliver 100,000 cfm of air at 25" water static
	pressure. Driven by Westinghouse, 500 hp. Frame 7113.6-H. 2.300 volt, 3,500 rpm, 3 phase, 60 evele induction motor.

# PIPE AND PIPE COVERING

Pipe	Contractor	Midwest	Piping	A	Supply
Mon-	company.	Edward	Valves, I	ne.	******
Extra	Pressure Gate Valves	Atwood M	errill.		
Globe	Valves	Walworth			
Balto	( Walves	Consolida	od Man	ning	Max

# Relief Valves ... Consolidated Manning, Maxwell & Moore. Pipe Covering Contractor ... Armstrong Cork Company. Maxmedia And Mattison Hy-Temp, Bestfelt and 85% Magnesia. All pipe covering on straight pipe and bends has .020 gauge aluminum jacket. Valves and fittings have canvas jacket.

# INSTRUMENTS

		Republic Republic	Flow Flow	Meters Meters	Co., air
Poedwater Regulator		Republic	Flow	Meters	Co., two
Pressure Gauges:		Republic	Flow	Meters	Co.
Indicating Becording	*******	Asheroft. Republic	Flow	Meters	Co.
Thermometers: Indicating dial type.		American,	me	reury	actuated
Recording Conductivity and CO		Leeds an	d Nor	thrup.	
Recorders Turbine Control Pan- Annunciators	el	Republic	l Nor Flow	Meters	Co

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Bvaporator Preheater ... One Worthington Pump & Machinery Corp., vertical deaerating heater, with yent condensor, 15,070 lb per hr.

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#### SWITCH BOARD EQUIPMENT

Main Control Board General Surge Protective Equipment . General Instrument Transformers General	Electric	Company. Company.	
Lighting and DO Control	Winstelle	0	

#### AUXILIARY SWITCHGEAR

Main Auxiliary Transformer . Moloney, 2.500 kva, air-cooled 13.2 kv-3.4 kv, delta-delta transformer.

2,300 v Switchgear ........ I. T. E., multimite drawout

440 v Switchgear ......I. T. E., multimite drawout type; with two Moloney, 300 kva, 2,300 volt to 440 volt, air cooled transformers.

Reserve Auxiliary Transformer One—Westinghouse, 3,750 kva. three phase, outdoor, oil cooled, 138,000 volt Y to 2,400 volt delta.

Main Power Transformer .... One — Westinghouse, 35.000 kvs, 3 phase, 138,000 volt Y to 13,200 volt delta, oil immersed, self cooled, outdoor type.

Oil Circuit Breakers ..... Three — Alli BZO-160-138F, 800 amps, 138 breakers. Allia-Chalmers, type

Substation Steel, air break switches and disconnect ... Southern States Equipment

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Service Water Pumps . . . . . . Two-Ingersoll-Rand Company, vertical 1,000 gpm.

Distilled Water Tanks ..... Two-Moran Tank Co., 20,000 Service Water Tank ....... One-Moran Tank Co., 15,000

Turbine Gallon.

One—Moran Tank Co., two-compartment, 1,800 gallon each.

Air Compressor ... One—Worthington. size 12 x 13, type HB horizontal, single stage. Driven by 75 hp. 3 phase, 400 volt, 1200 rpm induction motor.

Turbine Boom Grams ... One — Northern Englacerius 

Traveling Intake Screen . . . Two-Link Belt Co., with 32' centers. Driven by General Electric Company type ED204, 1\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}

# **New Underground Telephone System** for Atlantic Steel, Atlanta, Ga.

5,000 ft duct system, designed to handle current and future expansion requirements, eliminates electrolysis, decreases operator's work, and cuts maintenance costs.

S is the case with a great number of industrial plant utilities, the telephone PBX system at Atlantic Steel Company became obsolete due to growth of the plant. When installed, it was adequate and allowed for a reasonable plant expansion, but by modern standards it was unsatisfactory.

An eighty station manual switchboard was located at the main office building with underground jute-covered lead cables serving the plant buildings. The switchboard was loaded to capacity and additional extensions could not be installed. Due to heavy intraplant and outside traffic, the telephone operator was overworked.

# By B. R. Johnson

Engineer Atlantic Steel Company Atlanta, Georgia

A traffic study by Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in March 1947 showed that sixty per cent of the operator's work could be eliminated by the installation of a 200 station dial switchboard, allowing ample stations for the additional needed extensions and for future expansion.

# Old System Inadequate

stalled, attention was brought to the fact that the existing underground system was inadequate and in poor condition. As the cables were installed at a depth of about 18-in, without the protection of ductwork, we were plagued by an intolerable number of phone outages caused by construction workmen accidentally striking the cables. Several of the cables were not accurately located on company drawings-making this condition even worse. No manholes were provided to expedite proper maintenance, repair, testing, and expansion of facilities.

All the roadways along the edge After the switchboard was in- of which the cables are located are

built on a bed of mill slag and cinder fill which makes a satisfactory roadway. However, the presence of oils, iron and acids in this bed created an excellent galvanic couple with the cable's lead sheath, causing extensive cable damage due to galvanic corrosion. Electrolysis, attributed to stray currents, caused additional damage that resulted in many cable pairs having to be removed from service.

#### **New Duct System**

Obviously, this system was unsatisfactory from service and maintenance cost standpoints. Therefore, after an extensive study by Southern Bell engineers, a duct system was designed incorporating approximately 5000 ft of 2-in. conduit and eleven manholes.

All details of design were completed by January 1949, and the contract for the duct system let to Wright and Lopez Company. Upon completion of the ductwork, the jute-covered lead cables were installed by Southern Bell. Design and construction were in accord with Bell System practices except where special conditions rendered them impractical to follow.

With due regard to probable future plant expansion, the system was designed around the eleven manholes properly located to serve all buildings. Small manholes 3 ft wide x 4 ft long x 4 ft deep were used because of the constricted conditions in a majority of manhole locations. Two-duct runs were installed from the switchboard to the first manhole and between adjacent manholes, the second duct being installed as a spare to facilitate expansion or to be used in case of damage to the duct in service. A new cable can be pulled in, if the cable in service develops a fault, thus restoring service with less delay than by removing existing cable to repair or replace it. Oneduct runs were installed from manholes to serve the individual buildings.

### Conduit

As it is best suited for this type installation, 2-in. Johns-Manville Transite Conduit was employed for ductwork throughout the system. Because it is constructed of non-conductive materials, asbestos fiber

and cement, and the joints are sealed to exclude liquids, this conduit eliminates the problems of electrolysis and galvanic action. Its strength is such that when installed under roadways it will sustain any load that will normally be put upon it. Mechanical strength and comparatively light weight make possible long, easily-handled lengths. This fact, along with the use of easily assembled tapered couplings, makes for quick and easy installation.

# Safety Factor

An accurate map showing the exact location of the ductwork has been made, prints of which have been distributed to all foremen whose men are involved in construction work to allow them to become familiar with the location

of telephone ducts. This coupled with the fact that the ducts were installed at a minimum depth of thirty inches practically eliminates the possibility of damage by construction crews.

# Advantages

Since the new system was put into service, we have had no phone outages traceable to faulty underground system. Electrolysis and galvanic action have been eliminated for all practical purposes and service has been excellent.

Future plant expansion will present no great problem in so far as telephone service is concerned. Service can be provided by installing duct from the nearest manhole, pulling in necessary cable, and splicing to extra pairs at manhole provided for this purpose.

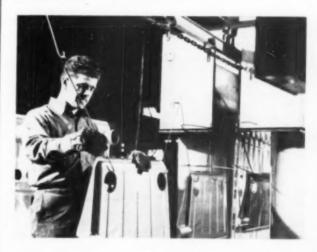
# Infrared Ovens Supplant Vapor Degreasers

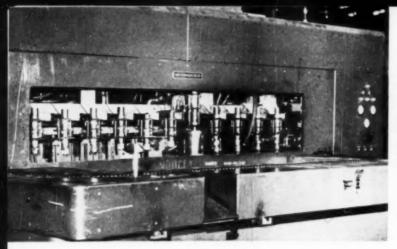
Use of infrared ovens in place of vapor degreasers is reported by several metalworking plants for cleaning sheet metal parts.

Typical operation is the illustrated degreasing of 31-in. x 20-in. sheet metal parts for floor furnaces. Parts are continuously conveyed through an infrared oven that removes all traces of oil in 36 seconds.

Oven consists of two banks of 9 vertically mounted 3.6 kw Chromalox Radiant Heaters. Heated section of oven is approximately 3 ft long and conveyor moves at 5 fpm.

Reduced labor costs, greater efficiency and more uniform degreasing are reported.





THIS COMPLETELY AUTOMATIC WESTINGHOUSE RADIO FREQUENCY HARDENING MACHINE WITH 11 STATIONS IS USED FOR HARDENING 20 DIFFERENT TYPES OF GEARS. PROJUCTION RATES UP TO 800 GEARS FER HOUR HAVE BEEN OBTAINED. THE TECHNIQUES OF HEAT THEATING DINDUCTION AT INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER'S LOUISVILLE WORKS VARY GREATLY WITH A TOTAL OF 1560 KW POWER FROM 60 TO 450 CYCLES.

# **Induction Heating Services**

# International Harvester-Louisville, Ky.

With a total capacity of over 6,000 kw for forging and heat treating shops, International Harvester's Louisville plant is one of the biggest producers of high frequency power for industrial use in the world.

# By Norman Cutliff

Electrical Maintenance Foreman Louisville, Ky. Works International Harvester Company

RALY plans for the Louisville Works of International Harvester included a careful study of the possible use of induction heating in the forge shop. A thorough analysis was made of the cost and physical advantages of the conventional method of heating steel for forgings, bending and heat treating, as contrasted with the induction heating method. It was finally decided that induction heating would be used.

However, the use of induction heating was not new to International Harvester. As far back as 1935, the company had used it experimentally on crankshaft bearing surfaces. Subsequent experience was obtained with small gears, shifter rails, and miscellaneous small parts.

Today, the Louisville works is one of the biggest producers of high frequency power for industrial use in the world. Over 6,000 kw in high frequency power, ranging from 60 to 450,000 cycles, is used for heating billet and bar material to forging temperatures and heat treating gears, pinions, splines, cylindrical surfaces, etc.

# Forge Shop Planning

The area to be occupied by the forge shop at Louisville Works had previously been a flight hangar. Planning therefore required a basic treatment. An adjoining building was built to house the power generating equipment. Power output requirements were set at approximately 2,500 kw. To produce this, three hydrogen-cooled 1,250 kw. 3,000 cycle, single ph, 800 v. 1,560 amp, 3,600 rpm generators, coupled with 2,300 v, 1,850 hp, 3 ph, 60 cycle motors were installed. These totally enclosed units are operated in parallel.

The necessary allied equipment included a 13,800/2,300 v metalclad switchgear to house the generator motor starters and protective relays, three generator control cubicles, three separately mounted generator field exciter units, three magnetic air blast high frequency contactors, and three wall mounted parallel manual disconnect cabinets.

# Generator Room

The generator building was designed for maximum free air ventilation to facilitate the air-cooled transformer and escape vents for the highly combustible hydrogen gas. Four motor generator foundations were layed (one for possible future expansion).

Fifty-four electrical conduits ranging from ½-in. to 3-in. for all the control and power circuits were embedded in the concrete

# INTERNATIONAL'S UNPRECEDENTED RF EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION

Among International Harvester's plans after World War II was the introduction of three low-powered farm tractors, the Farmall Cub, the Farmall Super A, and the Farmall C models.

To build these tractors, the company purchased a plant in Louisville, Kentucky, from the War Assets Administration in 1946. The plant had originally been used for airplane manufacture. Thus its conversion to tractor manufacture immediately presented a host of plant engineering problems.

The purchase price of the plant—plus the great investments the company has made since 1946—have totalled more than \$57,000,000—making Louis-ville Works the largest single investment in the International Harvester Company.

The economy and efficiency of induction heating were utilized to the fullest extent in the new plant in heating for forging, hardening, tempering, brazing, soldering, and shrinking.

The plant now utilizes over 6,000 kw in high frequency power, ranging from 60 cycles to 450,000 cycles.

#### Forge Shop

The forge shop is equipped with induction heaters, heating approximately 16,000 lb of steel per hour, from 1-in. round to 4¼-in. square in sections. International's metallurgists point out that the advantages of induction heat in the forge shop are:

Increased production. No furnace warm-up or

wait for bar heating is required.

Greater die life. Formation of very light scale, as well as uniform temperatures, extends die life measurably

Reduced material cost. Due to absence of scaling and decarburization, smaller stock sizes and less stock removal in machining may be used.

Improved working conditions. The heating unit

is cold to the touch, only the heat piece can radiate.

#### Heat Treating

The techniques of heat treating by induction vary greatly with a total of 1560 kw power varying from 60 cycles to 450,000 cycles. Choice of frequency, power, quench, hardness pattern, etc., is of extreme importance.

Principal economies result from the use of carbon steels in place of alloy steels, and the eliminamachine operations resulting from tion of many distortion which accompanied previous heat treating methods. In many cases, heat treating costs are lower and quality greatly improved due to lack of distortion and better stress distribution.

#### Miscellaneous Applications

All production brazing and soldering jobs are accomplished by induction heat, producing uniformity of heating, localized heating and rigid heating, all of which contribute to increased quality and econ-omy of operation. Several production shrinking jobs also utilize induction heating.

floor. These electrical conduits were brought up directly beneath the related equipment. A utility service trench is covered with a removable steel floor plate allowing quick access to the lubricating oil supply and drain lines, cooling water supply and drain, compressed air supply lines and the lead covered coaxial high frequency power distribution cables.

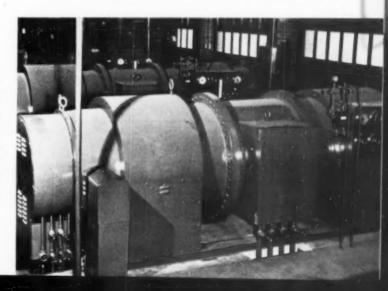
The utilities are carried forward to the work stations in a tunnel that runs the full length of the forge shop (about 300 ft), thence by small laterals ending directly be-

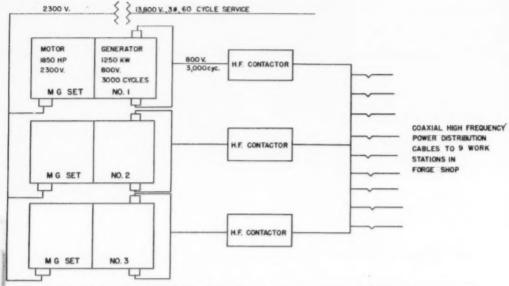
neath the work stations. At these work stations, steel is heated for forging, bending and forming 108 parts used in tractor manufacturing

# **Heat Treating Section**

Production schedules established

POWER FOR THE INDUCTION HEATERS IN THE FORGE SHOP IS SUPPLIED BY THESE THREE HYDROGEN COOLED GEN-ERATORS EACH OF 1250 KW CAPACI-TY. 54 ELECTRICAL CONDUITS FOR ALL. CONTROL AND POWER CIRCUITS ARE EMBEDDED IN THE CONCRETE FLOOR. NOTE REMOVABLE STEEL FLOOR PLATES FOR QUICK ACCESS TO THE LUBRICATING OIL SUPPLY AND DRAIN LINES, COOLING WATER SUPPLY AND DRAIN, COMPRESSED AIR LINES, AND THE LEAD COVERED COAXIAL HIGH FREQUENCY POWER DISTRIBUTION CABLES.





Three hydrogen cooled 1250 kw, 800 v, 3,000 cycle generators, coupled with 1850 hp, 2,300 v motors were installed. Allied equipment includes a 13,800 v metal-clad switchgear, three generator control cubicles, three separately mounted generator field excitor units, three magnetic air blast high frequency contactors, and three wall mounted parallel manual disconnect cabinets.

a requirement of 1,250 kw of 9,000 cycle power and 310 kw of radio frequency power for heat treatment. Due to the large amount of power generating equipment and the necessary allied utilities, a perplexing plant engineering problem developed. The heat treating department had to fall into its proper place in respect to ma-

terial flow to minimize both the amount of floor area occupied and material handling.

The power generating equipment and the work stations require temperature controlled water, oil, and distilled water. A pit was constructed beneath the area which houses a complete recirculating system consisting of the following:

a 3,000 gallon quench oil recirculating tank; a 1,000 gallon cooling water tank; a 1,000 gallon copper distilled cooling water tank; a heat exchanger for each system, and one operating pump and one standby pump for each system. The utilities are carried to the work stations via an under floor distribution trench, covered with removable steel floor plate.

To further conserve floor space, an elevated steel platform, to be occupied by the major portion of the power generating equipment, was erected directly above the work station area. A 200 kw radio frequency generator, five 150 kw, 9,600 cycle alternators and one 500 kw, 9,600 cycle alternator are on the platform. The power is distributed to the work station by lead covered coaxial cables in conduit and parallel bus bars cooled by water running through copper tubing which is brazed to the bus bars. Cooling water for the alternators and distilled cooling water (for the oscillator tubes and the tank section of the 200 kw radio frequency generator) is pumped up to the platform from the recirculating pump pit.

CRANKSHAFT PIN AND MAIN BEARINGS ARE HARDENED BY 9600 CYCLE POWER AT THIS TWO STATION MACHINE IN INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER'S LOUISVILLE PLANT. SEVEN BEARING SUFFACES ARE HARDENED SUCCESSIVELY BY AUTOMATIC CONTROL.



Electrical power for all equipment is fed from the plant 13,800 v network system stepped down to 440 v at a 750 kva distribution transformer. Each item of high frequency power generating equipment has its own circuit breaker mounted at the transformer with incorporated over current protection to suit the particular equipment being fed.

The methods of providing the required power and utilities and the planning of the plant layout for induction heating for forging and heat treating installations were original in design.

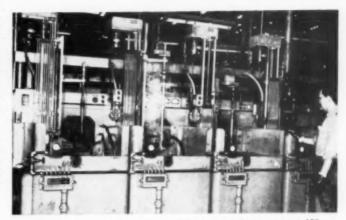
# Operation and Maintenance

The operation of the work handling stations is a mechanical, repetitious function of merely loading a work piece into the machine, pushing a button, and unloading. The work piece is carried through a complete cycle of preheating, hardening, and quench, all controlled by multi-circuit electrical timers. These machines repeat this process within sufficient time tolerances so that they lend themselves efficiently to time and motion study.

Personnel with electronic experience were selected for repair and maintenance service men. They were assigned to their jobs while the equipment was being installed. This allowed them to develop familiarity with the equipment from the ground up. It also permitted them to draw on the knowledge and experience of the equipment manufacturers' field service engineers who were present until the equipment was approved for production use.

In addition, H. S. Garceau, the plant engineer, gave a six-week course in basic electron theory and its application to induction heating of metals. Service men assigned to the mechanical repair and maintenance of the equipment also attended the course so they could better understand the function and purpose of the equipment. All employees were thoroughly instructed to observe the extremely essential safety precautions necessary when working on or near high frequency power generating equipment.

As in any integrated plant, each



PARTIAL VIEW OF A 12 STATION HARDENING UNIT POWERED BY TWO 150 KW, 9600 CYCLE WATER COOLED GENERATORS. THIS POWER IS MADE AVAILABLE AT ANY OR ALL OF THE INDIVIDUAL STATIONS THROUGH A SWITCHING MECHANISM.

machine tool is critical to the continuous flow of material. A carefully planned maintenance program is essential to insure uninterrupted operation. Electricians are stationed at various installations for constant maintenance and to minimize down time.

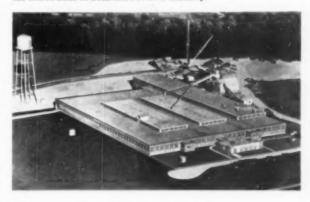
Production is scheduled to include shutdown periods during which preventive maintenance is performed. Cleanliness in and about equipment of this nature is extremely important because of the high potentials within the electrical circuits. Voltages in the equipment range up to 17,000 v. A system of records is maintained to insure that a schedule is adhered to and that all components of the equipment receive proper treatment.

### U. S. Plywood Corporation's Orangeburg, S. C., Plant

The new South Carolina plant of the **United States Plywood Corporation** has an annual capacity of about 30 million sq ft of plywood. Modern equipment and smooth flow of materials from log to plywood storage makes this plant one of the most efficient of its type.

The plant's new steam generating unit is believed to be the first four-fuel boiler with a fully watercooled dutch oven ever constructed. Designed for firing wood, coal, oil or gas, the unit saved 35 per cent on investment and provides high efficiency and fuel flexibility.

A complete semi-technical description of the plant was featured in the March issue of Southern Power & Industry.



# Steam From Waste Fuel

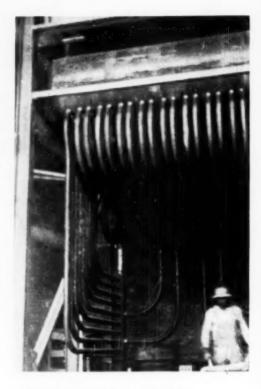
# Riverside Mills Modernizes Augusta, Georgia Boiler Plant

Burning waste in combination with coal reduces fuel cost, eliminates waste disposal problem, and improves production.

THE problem of generating steam efficiently from waste fuel has long challenged the skill of Mechanical Engineers. Where vast quantities of waste fuel such as bark and black liquor in pulp mills, or shavings and saw dust in sawmills are available, the problem is not too difficult. In these instances expensive equipment and thorough engineering can be justified and the potential savings are large. But in smaller plants the solution is more difficult because the firing equipment has to be kept relatively simple and inexpensive to pay off. Nevertheless some rather unique waste fuels such as pecan shells, coffee grounds, and peanut shells have been burned effective-

This article tells how Riverside Mills in Augusta, Georgia, solved the particular problem of disposing of refuse from cotton waste resulting from their cleaning or willowing process. This refuse is commonly called "motes" and consists of small pieces of cotton and wool highly contaminated with bits of sand, leaves, dirt, and stalks.

Various cotton and oil mills sell their own waste in bales to the



ERECTION VIEW SHOWING ARRANGEMENT OF TURBINE BOILER SIDEWALLS TO ELIMI-NATE SLAPPING AND REDUCE MAINTENANCE.

Riverside Mills who in turn clean it as far as economics permit by the willowing process. The refuse or motes resulting therefrom creates a nuisance and must be disposed of. In the past various attempts to dispose of it by burning under two HRT boilers gave little success.

Inasmuch as head room in the old boiler room was limited and prohibited overhead storage, waste was shoveled in by hand and inefficiently burned. Most of the steam required for the plant was generated by coal firing two Lombard Iron Works RHT boilers, each 150 hp—using pneumatic type spreader stokers. Coal bills were high and most of the waste motes still had to be hauled away at considerable expense.

# Selection of Equipment

Although the idea of utilizing the

waste motes as the base fuel had been discussed for several years, development along this line was retarded by the war and it was not until 1946 that samples of the motes were sent to Southern Testing Laboratory in Birmingham, Alabama, for proximate fuel analysis. The analysis showed characteristics quite similar to wood shavings and sawdust except that moisture content was quite low and the potential heat value showed nearly 7000 Btu per pound.

The weight of this material is only about 12 to 13 lb per cu ft as fired, or about ½ that of coal. This means that the volume fired would have to be about 8 times the volume of 14,000 Btu coal required for equivalent heat. Obviously a larger than normal furnace volume would be required along with adequate grate surface and forced draft fans for under grate air.

After much discussion between Mr. Willard Lewis, President of Riverside, and Mr. Erwin Fleming, Plant Engineer, it was decided to invest in a new boiler plant. Since the source of motes was about 400 ft from the old boiler room and there were numerous obstacles in the way of building a conveyor for the motes, it was decided to build a new boiler room near the source of motes and construct a steam main from it to the main point of distribution in the old boiler room.

#### Boiler

Following this decision a Babcock & Wilcox, H-Type, Stirling boiler rated at 13,750 lb steam per hour was purchased.

Initial cost per pound of steam delivered is low for this boiler; and due to its tube pattern of 31/4" tubes on 634" and 514" spacing with cross flow of baffling in 3 passes, a high rate of heat transfer can be obtained with comparatively low draft loss. This design has proven to be very reliable and free from forced outages partly because all generating tubes are connected between drums, thereby eliminating necessity for handhole fittings and headers. Another advantage is its inherent sturdy design which does not require the feedwater to be elaborately treated and carefully controlled to avoid tube failure. Free and easy accessibility to all pressure parts for routine inspection and low maintenance also contributed to its selection.

The boiler selected is designated as H-I No. 18, and is designed for 160 pounds pressure. It is a special design in that water cooled sidewalls were added to the boiler circuit to reduce furnace maintenance and eliminate the slagging which had occurred on the HRT refractory setting.

### Firing Equipment

Two chutes feed the waste fuel by gravity from the bottom of a cyclone, located above and in front of the boiler, into the front wall of the furnace at an angle of 60 degrees, and at a point 4 feet above the pin hole grates. Fuel is evenly distributed across the grates by the steam jets indicated in the accompanying sketch. Coal is also burned efficiently by means of an

Iron Fireman Pneumatic Spreader Stoker (9 ft wide x 8 ft deep, with 2 feeding nozzles) supplied by Jack Fanning of Atlanta. This equipment offers the advantages of reliability, wide fuel range, accessibility, uniform fuel distribution, shallow fuel bed, and preheated overfire air. In addition, the adaptability of its design permits locating the stoker 15 ft from the front of the boiler and with its hopper in a pit below the boiler room floor to facilitate wheeling in the coal. In addition, 2 cinder return nozzles pick up heavy particles of ash deposited in boiler hoppers at rear of the boiler and return it to the furnace for burning out the remaining carbon present.

# Storage Bin

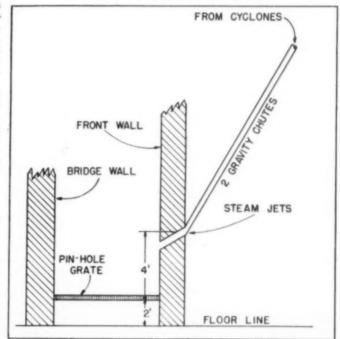
The storage bin for motes is not yet in operation but the Continental Gin Company supplied the feeding equipment inside which are 16 screws, covering the entire floor, which feed laterally from either side toward the center into a moving drag belt, which dumps into the feed pipes.

Due to the irregular flow of motes to the furnace (a condition imposed by the storage bin not yet being in operation) a unique arrangement is employed to carry the steam load with minimum fuel consumption. A pressure of about 100 Ib is desired to be maintained. Mercoid switches activated by steam pressure diaphragms cut off the under grate forced draft fan motor drives when the pressure reaches 105 lb. These switches cut on the fan motors when the pressure drops as low as 95 and off again when 100 lb is reached.

# **Auxiliary Equipment**

Originally it was intended that the carryover and flyash be trapped and collected at the bottom of the stack hopper; however, too much flyash was leaving the stack and a centrifugal-type dust collector constructed by the J. J. Finnigan Company was added. This has completely eliminated complaints from this source of nuisance. The stack 36" in diameter by 125' high was also constructed by the J. J. Finnigan Company.

SKETCH SHOWING HOW MOTES ARE FED TO COMBUSTION CHAMBER AND DISTRIBUTED OVER PIN-HOLE GRATES.



# Principal Equipment Modernization Project—Riverside Mills Augusta, Georgia

Engineering and Construction.....The modernization project was planned and executed by the Riverside Mills Engineering Department at the Augusta, Georgia, plant. Work was approved by Mr. Willard Lewis, Sr., owner, and directed by Mr. Erwin Fleming, plant engineer. One-B&W H-Type Stirling Boiler Boiler H-I No. 18-Special with water walls, three drum low head Stoker One-Iron Fireman, Pneumatic-Type Spreader Stoker, complete with bin hopper feed. Boiler Feed Pumps . One-Worthington, Type VC reciprocating steam pump One-Wesco Motor Driven Turbine Pump Breeching, Stack, and Dust Collector J. J. Finnigan Company Meters and Controls Hays Corporation, A. W. Cash, and Mercoid Soot Blowers Diamond Power Specialty Corporation Brickwork and Insulation Fisher-Halliday Company Feedwater Regulator Copes Type OT-Northern Equipment Company Feedwater Heater Patterson-Closed Type Safety Valves .... Consolidated Blow-off Valves B&W Angle and Cadman "Gato" Cock in Tandem Water Columns ... Reliance Steam Gauges Ashcroft Piping Thos. H. Brittingham

The furnace draft is regulated by a Cash No. 90 automatic control operating with hydraulic piston power unit which moves the boiler outlet damper. A Haves draft gauge is also used for indicating furnace draft and uptake draft. Four Diamond Valve-in-Head soot blowers are used once each shift to keep the tube surfaces clean; and the fires are cleaned twice each shift.

Because a large portion of the steam generated is used in direct heating of various dye vats, the amount of condensate returned to the boiler is small, and a large percentage of city water is used for make-up. Make-up is fed to a float controlled tank along with the available condensate return, Boiler feedwater is pumped by either the normal duplex reciprocating steam

pump or an emergency motor driven turbine type pump, through a Patterson closed type multi-pass feedwater heater to the boiler. Heating is obtained by both exhaust from the duplex pump and live steam from the boiler. The live steam is controlled by a Leslie type LTCO regulator which admits live steam to the heater at 15 lb gauge pressure in amounts necessary to maintain the feedwater temperature for which it is adjusted. Correct water level in the boiler is maintained by a Copes regulating valve and a Copes type SL governor on the steam pump, Protection against low water is provided by a Magnetrol which automatically starts the emergency pump if water level drops below a safe level, and also rings an alarm.

Since the percentage of make-up

is large, it was found necessary to treat the boiler water to prevent scale and pitting. The system used is that of the National Aluminate Company and frequent samples of boiler water are tested to maintain correct alkalinity, salinity, and zero hardness.

# Design and Construction

Plans and specifications were drawn up by the plant engineer. Contracts were let to Claussen-Webster Construction Company for the building construction and boiler foundations: Thos. H. Brittingham for the construction of a 6", welded joint steam main; to J. J. Finnigan Company for erection of a steel stack and breeching; and to Fisher-Halliday Company for boiler brickwork. All electric wiring, boiler auxiliaries, auxiliary piping, and the coal stoker installation, as well as conveying equipment were installed by the Riverside Mills Maintenance Department.

The boiler room has brick walls and a concrete floor. Directly over the boiler, a large hollow tile storage bin with steel roof trusses and steel roofing was constructed. The motes are conveyed from the willowing machines by pneumatic conveyors. A switching arrangement allows delivery from either of two centrifugal separators. One separator is located on top of the storage bin and deposits the motes in the bin, while the other is located above and in front of the boiler and feeds motes directly to the furnace. The screw conveyors, previously mentioned, provide for feeding motes out of the storage bin to the boiler.

# Results

Peak loads, estimated as high as 15,000 lb of steam per hour, have been handled: and the fuel savings amount to approximately 3 to 4 tons of coal per day. For the past two years annual fuel savings in the neighborhood of \$10,000 have been realized. Furthermore, the expense of removing the waste motes which previously accumulated has now been eliminated, thereby contributing to the attractiveness of the installation. Finally, the unit is reliable and responsive to sudden load changes thereby assisting production throughout the plant.

# Handling Unit Loads

By W. G. Hudson

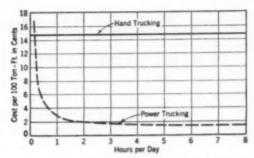


Fig. 1. Relation between Hand-Trucking and Power-Trucking costs.

TODAY, costs are a major consideration. We will work through a brief analysis showing how motorized handling compares with manual handling. To arrive at the total cost of operating a truck, we will assume a 2-ton capacity low-lift truck, electrically powered. The investment is shown in Table I.

We will however take the cost as \$1.91 even though the truck works only part time, and the operator's wage at \$1 per hour, then we have the figures shown in Table 2.

Hand trucking costs remain substantially the same with increasing volumes until congestion occurs. We will assume a basis of 3½ tons per hour, and the laborer's wage at 50 cents per hour, giving 14.3 cents per ton. Then we get the comparison shown in Table 3.

Fig. 1 shows the comparative costs per 100 Ton Feet along the lines developed above. Of course trucking costs are intimately connected with the skill of the available personnel, and vary widely. So, the costs arrived at may have to be discounted; but there are actual instances in which they have been bettered. Moreover there are related savings from the even flow of materials: less time lost by the skilled machine operators and production machines, and less congestion in the production and storage areas. With high-lift trucks material may be tiered up to 12 feet or higher. Where the items involved in unloading from, or loaded to cars or motor trucks are bulky and heavy (Fig. 2), mechanized handling has shown fewer accidents, lower compensation payments, and minimum damage to shipments.

# Table 1—Investment Costs

Net price of truck	\$2000
Cost of one set tires	100
Depreciation basis	1900
Depreciation: 6% of \$1900	\$123.50
Annual tire cost	
Net price of battery \$450, 161/2 %	74.25
Cost of charging equipment \$600. Depr. 5%	30.00
Maintenance of truck	
Maintenance of battery	30.00
Maintenance of charging equipment	10.00
Charging current	40.00
Insurance	10.00
Total per year	\$497.75
Total per 8-hr day, at 260 days per year	

# Table 2-Power Trucking Cost

Hours per Day	Total Trips Made	Tons Handled	Cost of Truck	Cost of Wages	Total per Day	Cost per 100 T. Ft
1/2	26	52	\$1.91	\$.50	\$2.41	4.65 cts.
1	53	106	1.91	1.00	2.91	2.75
2	106	212	1.91	2.00	3.91	1.84
4	212	424	1.91	4.00	5.91	1.40

#### Table 3—Comparison of Hand and Power Trucking

Hours per Day	Tons Handled	Power-Trucking Cost	Hand-Trucking Cost	Annual Savings	Per Cent Return
1/2	52	\$2.41	\$7.45	\$ 360	12
1	106	2.91	15.16	3,180	104
2	212	3.91	30.32	6.870	225
4	424	5.91	54.73	14,900	488

# New Rapid Method for Determining Total Hardness Content of Water

This new, highly accurate, rapid procedure for determining the calcium, magnesium and total hardness content of water is expected to replace the soap method now widely used.

POR years total hardness in water has been determined by the soap method. This method has had the advantage of simplicity and usable accuracy with a high degree of speed over the accepted and time-consuming gravimetric procedures. However, the soap method has always been subject to certain interferences as well as the "personal" factor which can give inaccurate results.

A new method is now available for total hardness determination in waters, which is faster and more accurate than the soap method, and is as simple to run as is an alkalinity titration. The method was first reported by Schwarzenbach et al, in Helvetica Chemica Acta as part of a brilliant series of investigations of the complex ions of the alkaline earths with amino polycarboxylic acids. A dve. which gives a sharp color change at the end point, is used as an indicator. The new procedure has been found to be superior to the soap method in all respects.

The Schwarzenbach titration for total hardness uses the sequestering properties of disodium dihydrogen ethylene diamine tetra acetate. This material is marketed by some manufacturers under the name of versene; thus this hardness titration is sometimes referred to as the "Versenate Method". The end point of this volumetric method is determined by use of a dve known as Erio-chrome-schwartz T, which at pH 10 forms a wine red complex in the presence of calcium and magnesium, and changes to blue in their absence. Thus, when the calcium and magnesium are removed from the ionic state by reaction

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with the disodium dihydrogen versenate, the red color changes to grey or blue, indicating that the end point has been reached. In this way total hardness is determined rapidly with an average accuracy of ±1% on waters of normal hardness. Greater accuracy can be obtained on low hardness waters by using larger samples, and conversely those waters containing very large amounts of calcium and magnesium are best titrated when using a reduced sample size or increased strength of standard versenate solution.

#### Interferences

As might be expected, this new method, as originally reported, was found to be subject to certain interferences which occurred most frequently from the divalent metal ions. Fortunately most of these are rarely encountered in natural water supplies. Certain ones, however, made it necessary to carry out special research to find a means of overcoming their effects.

For example, manganese is occasionally found in natural water supplies, and when present causes the above-mentioned indicator to fade and change color, thus obscuring the end-point. Another example is copper, which inhibits any color change whatsoever. Sufficient copper to cause this interference can be picked up by water which has passed through only a few feet of copper piping.

However, newly developed, modified indicators have overcome these difficulties, and all that is now necessary is to use the proper indicator, ManVer if manganese is present or CuVer if manganese is absent. A different kind of interference is caused by iron, which when present in considerable quantity causes peculiar color development and some hindrance. Ferrous iron is especially troublesome in this respect. Therefore, when iron interferes (several ppm) it should be oxidized and filtered off before making the hardness determination. The polyphosphates have a sequestering interference all their own, and gradually release hardness after titration with versenate is supposedly complete. Heating the sample to convert the polyphosphates to orthophosphate is the usual procedure for overcoming this interference. Other ions which are capable of interfering, but rarely encountered, are nickel, cobalt, mercury, cadmium and zine

# Procedure

The procedure for determining total hardness is quite simple. A 58.3 ml sample is placed in a 250 ml Erlenmeyer flask, and to it is added 1 ml of buffer solution and 3-5 drops of CuVer or ManVer indicator. Titration is accomplished by adding standard versenate solution from a burette to that point at which all red color is discharged. Care should be exercised in the titration because the color change

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Ca	Mg	Total	Ca (By Diff)	Mg	Total	Ca (W°)	Mg (By Diff)	Total
2.8	3.0	5.8	2.7	3.1	5.8	2.8	3.2	6.0
9.5	9.8	19.3	9.6	9.7	19.3	9.6	10.8	20.4
14.3	14.9	29.2	14.2	15.0	29.2	14.4	14.6	29.0
21.5	22.3	43.8	22.0	21.9	43.9	22.0	23.0	45.0
28.6	29.8	58.4	29.2	29.4	58.6	28.0	31.0	59.0

# TABLE II

### DEVIATION FROM ACTUAL HARDNESS USING VERSENATE METHOD

Ca GPG	Mg GPG	Total GPG	
0.1	+0.1	0	
+0.1	0.1	0	
-0.1	+0.1	0	
+0.5	0.4	+0.1	
+0.6	-0.4	+0.2	

# TABLE III

#### DEVIATION FROM ACTUAL HARDNESS USING SOAP METHOD

Mg GPG	Total GPG
+0.2	+0.2
+1.0	+1.1
-0.3	0.2
+0.7	+1.2
+1.2	+0.6
	+0.2 +1.0 -0.3 +0.7

\*Calcium determined by Winkler Modification Soap Method.

# TABLE IV

TIME CONSUMED PER DETERMINATION (Averages)

Gravimetric	Versenate		Soap	
Method	Method		Method	
30 min.	3	min.	14	min.

AS INDICATED IN THESE TABLES, ACCURACY AND TIME SAVING ARE IMPORTANT FEATURES OBTAINABLE WITH THE NEW VERSENATE METHOD FOR DETERMINING HARDNESS IN WATER.

is somewhat slow and quite sensitive. For this reason it is desirable to add the versenate slowly to prevent over-running the end point. Since the standard versenate is adjusted so that 1 ml is equivalent to 1 mg of CaCO, the burette reading will be directly in gpg as CaCO. Should it be desired to obtain results in ppm, a 50 ml sample can be used and the ml of versenate consumed multiplied by 20.

Magnesium is determined by precipitating the calcium as the oxalate, filtering and running the hardness titration on the filtrate. The calcium content is then obtained by subtracting the magnesium from the total hardness.

# Accuracy of Method

The Versenate Method has been in use in the laboratories of the authors for the past year and results have been noteworthy. In their opinion, this method will soon become accepted as the standard, replacing the soap method in nearly all places where it has been used in past years. As indicated in tables I through IV, accuracy and time

saving are both important features obtainable with the new procedure.

The adaptation of the Schwarzenbach Titration method of determining hardness in water is now completely developed and perfected to the point where it has been made simple, accurate and fully reliable for use in industrial and municipal plants and laboratories. Standard solutions, indicators, reagents and full directions for making the analyses are now available.

# World's Largest Pumps

The world's largest pumps for the Grand Coulee Dam were designed by the Byron Jackson Co. and The Pelton Water Wheel Company. Six of the 12 gigantic pumps are now ready for installation. With all 12 units in operation, approximately one million acres of land can be irrigated.

Suction elbows of the pumps are 14 ft in diameter. The combined capacity of the 12 units can be demonstrated by comparison with Niagara Falls.

The American Falls are estimated to average some 5½ million gpm. The combined capacity of the Grand Coulee Pumps is 8,640,000 gpm. The comparison of lift versus drop is also interesting; Niagara has an average drop of 160 ft; the Grand Coulee pumps will be called upon to deliver water to a point

some 300 ft above intake. To do this job, each pump reuires 65,000 hp, or a total of 780,000 hp for the 12 pumping units.



# **New Dust Collectors Applied To Old Boilers**

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Application of dust collectors to boilers installed in 1928 presented serious space problems that were solved by Champion's engineers.

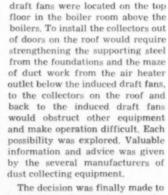
OST war expansion in production facilities at The Champion Paper & Fibre Company's plant at Canton, N. C., increased the demand for steam and power services beyond the capacity of the existing power plant to render uninterrupt-Therefore, the decied service sion was made to increase both the steam and power generating capacity by the installation of additional equipment. The original high pressure boiler plant was built in 1928 and 1929, and the boilers were among the first high pressure, large capacity boilers to be installed in an industrial power plant. No provision was made to collect the fly ash as the problem at that time had yet to be recognized and only limited equipment was available for the Durnose

Mindful of its responsibilities,

when the decision was made in 1945 to install another boiler, Champion management insisted that provision be made in the design to include dust collectors to reduce the fly ash from the stack. Space inside the building for the new 300,000 lb per hr Riley steam generator was limited, so supporting steel was projected through the roof to support the Buell dust collector above the roof level. The dust hoppers are below the roof line allowing the dust valves to be operated within the building. The results were satisfactory.

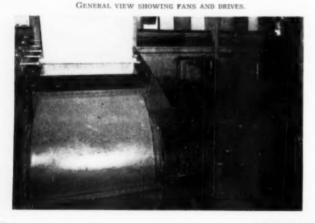
# Collectors for Older Boilers

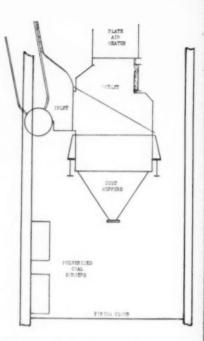
About a year and a half ago it was decided to proceed with the program of installing dust collectors on the two older boilers. Many problems were faced. The induced



install the collectors between the boiler outlet and the air heater inlet in the space used for dust hoppers in the original design. These older boilers are 300,000 lb per hr Heine bent tube boilers having integral economizers. The gases leave the boiler sweeping over the 36-in. diameter lower economizer drum having come downward around the economizer tubes.

The location of the inlet to the air heater with respect to the 36-in. economizer drum was different on





LOCATION OF THE NEW CYCLONE COL-LECTOR IN THE PATH OF THE GAS BE-TWEEN ECONOMIZER DRUM AND AIR HEATER GAS INLET.

# Principal Equipment

- 2—Dust collectors \_\_\_\_\_\_9VG12—300-10 multi cyclone by Western Precipitation Corp.
- 2—Induced draft fans 247,000 cfm; 440 F; 12.4 in. static head; 570 rpm; 2700 ft altitude; with inlet dampers and ½ inch liners. American Blower Corp.
- 2—Variable speed I.D. fan drives.....Hydraulic coupling size 48 type VS American Blower Corp.
- 2—Motors 800 horsepower; 590 rpm; 2300 volt, water cooled induction motors. General Electric Co.
- 7—Dust valves and dust pipings 4" Windswept valves, 4" Ashvolite pipe to present hydrovactor, Allen Sherman Hoff Co.
   Duct work Mecklenburg Iron Works.

the two boilers. On one unit the air heater flange was 3 ft above the center line of the drum while on the other it was 7 ft 6 in. The horizontal dimensions were closer: the distance from the drum center line to the air heater center line being 8 ft 2½ in. and 8 ft 6¾ in., respectively. It will be noticed that the lesser dimensions in both directions were on the same unit. The dust collectors have the gas entering horizontally and leaving in a vertical direction.

The distance from the inlet flange to the center line of the collector outlet flange is 4 ft 834 in. The width of the inlet box between the 36-in, drum and the collector inlet is 22 in. on one unit and nearly 27 in. on the other. The Western Precipitation Multi Cyclone collectors which were selected fitted the space available better than any other unit offered.

The air ducts from the air heater outlet to the pulverized coal burner boxes had to be redesigned to permit the installation of the collectors. The same velocity that previously existed was obtained by altering the shape of the ducts—but not the cross-sectional area. Turning vanes were used where changes in the air flow were more abrupt than in the original design.

The collectors are supported by steel framing that was connected to the building steel. The load imposed was but little more than that previously applied by the dust hoppers which were lined with fire brick.

The job required working in close places and careful rigging to install the collectors, Openings had to be made in the boiler house walls to get the parts into place. The dust hoppers are bolted to the collector bottom, but all other parts of the collectors are supported on the steel framing. Since all parts had to be moved into place from below, it was necessary to hoist into positions above the final location, all parts of the collector and duct work, install the supporting steel, and then lower into position the parts of the dust collector and duct work. Both welded and bolted joints were used. Asbestos tape gaskets were used on all bolted joints. Provision was made for expansion by use of slip joints or expansion joints.

One of the collectors was insulated with Super X block next to the metal covered with 85% magnesia block, Poultry netting was then applied and covered with ¼-in, insulating cement and ¼-in, insulating finishing cement. The insulation of this unit was done under contract by Reed-Hayden Co., Charlotte, N. C.

The other unit was insulated by wiring on 3-in. Kalo blocks. Poultry netting was then applied and insulation cement was applied as on the first unit. This work was done by the company's own insulation crew. The second unit required considerably less labor for applying the insulation. As far as heat transmission is concerned both give comparable results.

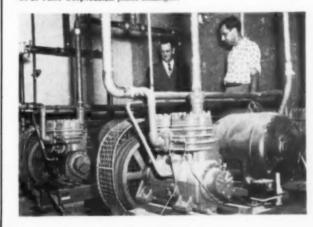
Except for the insulation on one unit all work was done by the company's maintenance crews. The engineering work was also done by the company's engineers, but as mentioned previously valuable aid was given by the manufacturers' representatives and engineers.

Initial operation and preliminary tests indicate that performance is well above expectations.

# Air Conditioning Compressors for U.S. Time, Abilene, Texas

These are Frigidaire water cooled reciprocating compressors with approximately 75 tons of refrigeration capacity for air conditioning in the new United States Time Corporation plant in Abilene, Texas. Three 25 hp electric motors power six Frigidaire compressors.

Equipment is housed in a special penthouse with dimensions of about 20 x 60 ft. Shown looking over the compressor arrangement are J. E. Kuykendahl, left, general sales manager of the West Texas Utilities Company, which made the installation, and F. J. Orintas. U. S. Time Corporation plant manager.



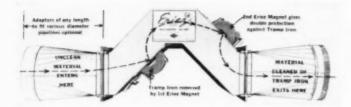


FIG. 1. MAGNETIC HUMP TYPE PER-MANENT MAGNETIC SEPARATOR, CON-SISTING OF TWO STRONG PERMANENT MAGNETS INSTALLED IN A RECTANG-ULAR STEEL HOUSING, IS DESIGNED FOR USE IN AIR LINES AND GRAVITY FLOW DROPS.

# **Versatile Permanent Magnets**

# Magnetic Plate, Hump, and Drum Type Separators

PERMANENT magnets for the separation of tramp iron from food products before processing and packaging have a very wide application in the preparation of grains and cereals, nuts, canning and preserving, meat pagkaging, and on vegetable dehydrating lines.

Obviously, the removal of tramp iron in the form of nails, screws, bits of wire, etc., is necessary for the protection of the consumer and also the processing machinery. Costly repairs, loss of production time, and loss of wages may be greatly reduced.

#### Advantages

Magnets of the permanent type are largely employed for such work. They have the great advan-

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tage of not requiring any electric wiring and are therefore comparatively simple and inexpensive to install. They do not get hot from excessive current, and are not affected by water, wet materials, etc. Their service cannot be interrupted, nor are there operating or maintenance costs.

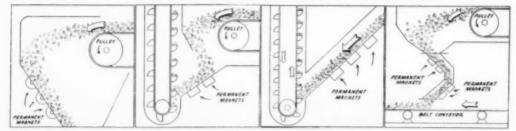
### Types Available

Permanent magnet separators are very versatile in that they may be installed in various ways to meet different conditions. They are supplied in three forms, each of which can be varied as to design and method of installation.

- 1. Magnetic plate separators. which may be mounted above or below flows of material, at the bottom of gravity chutes, etc.
- Magnetic hump, designed for use in air lines and gravity flow drops, and consisting of two strong permanent magnets installed in a rectangular steel housing (Fig. 1.)
- Drum type magnetic separator, which is also used to catch tramp iron in chutes and spouts, especially where the pieces are comparatively small.

Permanent magnet pulleys are also used under certain conditions. How these different types are used in up-to-date plants can best be explained by considering some specific applications for different service conditions.

FIG. 2. DIFFERENT METHODS OF INSTALLING PERMANENT MAGNETS IN GRAIN ELEVATORS AT THE DISCHARGE POINT OF THE BELT CONVEYOR TO THE BUCKET ELEVATOR. AT THE LEFT, THEY ARE PLACED IN THE HOPPER BELOW THE BACKBOARD WHERE THE GRAIN STRIKES AND SLIDES DOWN TO THE ELEVATOR. IN THE SECOND AND THIRD SKETCHES, MAGNETS ARE ON THE LOWER SIDE OF THE SPOUT LEADING TO THE ELEVATOR. THE FOURTH SKETCH IS THE VERTICAL MAGNETIC HUMP, WHICH IS BOTH SIMPLE AND EFFICIENT, DISCHARGE MAY BE TO ANOTHER BELT CONVEYOR, OR DIRECTLY INTO A CHUTE, LEADING TO THE BUCKET ELEVATOR.



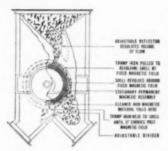


FIG. 3. HERE'S HOW THE MAGNETIC DRUM SEPARATOR WORKS. IT IS WIDELY EMPLOYED AHEAD OF THE FINAL BAGGING OR PACKAGING TO AS-SURE PURITY OF THE PRODUCT.

# **Plate Magnets**

In the field of grains and cereals, as well as for tea, coffee, and spices, plate magnets are employed very extensively in the initial grinding processes. They are installed in gravity flow chutes, on hammermill feed tables and in attrition mills to prevent tramp iron from entering the machinery, possibly causing sparks and fires, or explosions, in addition to mechanical damage. At subsequent points in processing, the magnets may be suspended above conveyor lines to remove such items as staples, nails, spikes, parts of machinery,

Installation of plate magnets at a large terminal grain elevator is seen in Fig. 4. It is located at the discharge end of the belt conveyor which delivers grain to the bucket elevator and where it flows at uniform speed and depth. Cleaning of the magnet is simple at this location and the tramp iron is removed

IN Fig. 6., below, a Magnetic drum magnet is used at the end of a conveyor handling dehydrated vegetables. Fig. 7., right, shows how a magnetic pulley is employed in the processing of nuts.



before it can be the cause of a fire or explosion. One double row magnet is installed immediately under the point where the grain strikes the backboard and another at the bottom of the backboard in front of the elevator in a vertical magnetic hump. Both magnets are thus located where the direction of flow is changed and where there is a momentary pause.

The average amount of tramp iron removed by the two magnets is 15 pounds per week, and tests have indicated that this amounts to 95 to 100 per cent of all that is present. The conveyor belt employed here is 40 in. wide, travels at 650 fpm and the depth of the grain and soft feeds handled by it is from 2 to 4 in. This gives a good idea of what the magnets can do.

# Magnetic Hump

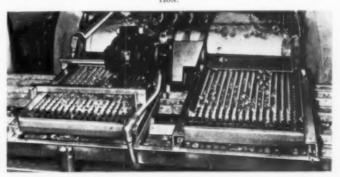
The magnetic hump is also used in the milling industry and is especially applicable where gravity



FIG. 4. INSTALLATION OF PLATE MAGNETS AT A TERMINAL GRAIN ELEVATOR. HIGHER MAGNET HAS BEEN PLACED ON TRUCKS TO FACILITATE CLEANING WITH A MAGNET BAKE.



FIG. 5. THIS PLATE MAGNET, INSTALLED OVER A CONVEYOR FOR SORTING STRAWBERRIES FOR QUICK PREEZING, PICKS UP PIECES OF WIRE, TACKS, BASKET CLIPS, TOOLS, BOTTLE CAPS, ETC. NOTE SIMPLICITY OF INSTALLATION.



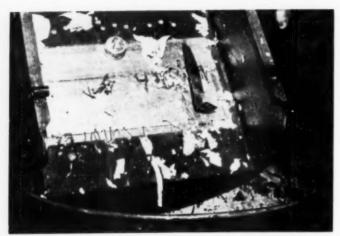


FIG. 8. PLATE MAGNETS HAVE GIVEN EXCELLENT RESULTS IN GELATINE PROCESSING LINES IN WHICH THE LARGE AMOUNT OF TRAMP IRON STOPPED BY ONE OF THESE UNITS IS CLEARLY SEEN.

flow is employed. The material enters at one end of the hump (see Fig. 1.) and impinges on the first magnetic plate. It then changes direction, passes around the hump, and impinges against a second magnetic plate and again changes direction. For gravity flow of material the hump unit would be placed in a vertical position. The feed may be by belt conveyor or by any other convenient means.

# Magnetic Drum

When the initial grinding has been completed and the grain is being further processed, other magnetic units are used. The magnetic drum is widely employed ahead of the final bagging or packaging to assure the purity of the product reaching the ultimate consumer. A general purpose drum separator consists of a stainless steel revolving cylinder surrounding an eccentrically placed high power stationary non-electric permanent magnet. A feeder regulates the flow of material into the hopper where it falls on to the revolving drum. Tramp iron is attracted to the drum and sticks to it until it passes out of the magnetic field and drops into a receptacle. (See Fig. 3.) The cleaned material passes out through one chute and the iron through another.

The magnetic drum is generally used where grain, tobacco, plas-

tics, ceramic sands, powders, chemicals, crumb rubber, etc., are conveyed in chutes, spouts, and similar systems not employing belts. They are available in various drum diameters and with various housings to suit particular needs.

### Magnetic Pulleys

Magnetic pulleys are frequently used in milling operations when the materials to be cleaned are handled by belt conveyors. Such pulleys have been found very effective for removing tramp iron from bulk materials like cocoa beans, coffee, spices, roots, grains, rice, nuts, sugar, etc. They may be used as head pulleys on receiving belts and at the end of picking and sorting tables.

Permanent non-electric magnets are also used extensively for the protection of the consumers and processing machinery in connection with the preparation of preserves. Plate magnets, magnetic pulleys, and magnetic traps for liquid pipe lines are employed for this class of material. It is worth bearing in mind that a great many food and other products are processed in several stages. For example a baker uses previously processed items like sugar, flour. fruits, flavors, extracts, etc. and it is necessary to protect the machinery in each step against damage by tramp iron, as well as the consumer who receives the end products. Many of the individual items are processed several times. In other words, so many steps are often involved where tramp iron can get in, that great care must be exercised to make sure that it is removed, frequently by the insertion of magnets at three or four points.





Almost 38,000 miles of pipe lines were laid in 1949 compared to the 9,700 miles of pipe laid in the United States in 1948. Of this total 20,750 miles were for natural gas lines similar to this 26" pipe being laid in Louisiana by the Tennessee Gas Company. It is estimated that a capital expenditure of one billion dollars will be required to accomplish the nation's natural gas pipe line program.

# Feedwater Analysis and Treatment

# A Study Course for Power Plant Chemists and Operators

This is the third article of a four part series of questions and answers, Part one appeared in February and part two in March. The informtion presented here was originally prepared to help the men in the plants of Florida Power Corporation better understand the need for and effect of feedwater analysis and treatment procedures which have been adopted by that company.

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45—Why is it necessary to keep the total concentration of solids in the evaporator shell below a predetermined value?

It is known that high concentration of solids in water will cause carry-over from an evaporator as well as a boiler. The purpose of the evaporator is to give pure water for makeup, so the concentration must be kept below a predetermined value to prevent an appreciable amount of solids from going over with the steam.

46—With a water containing 100 ppm of sodium chloride and an evaporator holding 1000 gallons, what concentration would be in the shell water if the evaporator were operated at an output of 700 gallons per hour for six hours?

The water in the evaporator contains 100 ppm sodium chloride at the start. Each additional 1000 gallons supplied to the evaporator increases the chloride concentration by 100 ppm. (This assumes that the carry-over is negligible). In six hours at 700 gallons output, a total of 4200 gallons would be evaporated. Therefore:

 $(4200 \div 1000) \times 100 = 420$  ppm added. Since the evaporator contained 100 ppm, the total sodium chloride concentration without blowdown = 100 + 420 = 520 ppm.

47—Why is a continuous blow-down pipe extending 2/3 the length of the boiler drum used instead of a plain opening without any extension into the drum?

The solids in boiler water are not evenly distributed. A perforated pipe which allows water to be blown from the greater portion of the drum will give a better chance of evenly lowering the concentration in all of the water.

48—What is the approximate location of the continuous blow-down pipe in relationship to normal water level? Why?

The continuous blowdown pipe is usually located a few inches below normal water level. Highest concentration of solids is normally at the top of the water due to the action of the steam bubbles carrying the solids to the top. The blowdown taken from near the top will, therefore, contain a higher concentration than if the blowdown pipe were located at a lower point.

49—Where does the majority of the CO, come from that is found in the evaporator vapor?

Most natural waters contain temporary hardness (bicarbonates). Calcium bicarbonate has a formula Ca(HCO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>. When subjected to heat, a bicarbonate breaks down to form a carbonate, water and CO<sub>2</sub> gas. Most of the CO<sub>2</sub> gas in evaporator vapor is from this source. Some waters contain organic matter which also liberates CO<sub>2</sub>.

50—What will be the result on the phenolthalein and methyl orange alkalinities if a sample of steam condensate having a pH value of 6.5 is exposed to the atmosphere for a length of time?

A sample of condensate having a pH of 6.5 exposed to the atmosphere can either absorb or release  $\mathrm{CO}_i$  depending upon atmospheric conditions in respect to temperature and composition of the air. If  $\mathrm{CO}_i$  is absorbed, the pH will decrease and will also decrease the P and MO alkalinities. If  $\mathrm{CO}_i$  is expelled or released, the pH will increase and the alkalinity may remain the same or undergo a slight change which would be difficult to determine with the regular titration method.

51—Why is it necessary to use cooling coils to take samples for analyzing, even on turbine condensate?

Cooling coils are required on steam samples to condense them. On hot water near or above the boiling temperature at atmospheric pressure, some of the water would flash to steam, giving a sample of higher concentration than actually exists. For any samples to be checked for oxygen content, the water should be cooled below room temperature. Since samples for all tests should be at room temperature before tests are made, considerable time is saved with cooling coils.

52—Why should pyrex bottles instead of plain glass be used for obtaining samples for the majority of the tests? Why rubber or plastic for silica test?

Pyrex bottles are not as easy to break as plain glass. They do not contain as many impurities. Silica free hard rubber or plastic bottles are used for collecting samples for the silica test to eliminate any possibility of the samples dissolving any silicate from glass in case there is a delay in testing for silica after sample is taken.

53—Why is a chemical containing chlorine put in the condenser circulating water?

Chlorine and chlorine compounds are used to kill bacteria or algae, that will form slime growths in the condenser. It is also claimed that it gives some control of marine growths.

54—What is the relation of phenolthalein and methyl orange alkalinities in the presence of bicarbonates, carbonates and hydrates?

If P alkalinity is less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  M alkalinity, bicarbonates are present to the amount of M-2P. If P is equal or greater than  $\frac{1}{2}$  M, no bicarbonates are present. If P is equal to or less than M, the amount of carbonates is 2P. If P is greater than  $\frac{1}{2}$  M, the amount of carbonates equals 2 (M-P) unless P = M, then there are no carbonates.

There are no hydrates present unless P is greater than ½ M. The hydrates are equal to 2P-M unless P = M, then M gives amount of hydrates. (See page 25, "Why Water for Steam Boilers Should Be Treated and Analyzed", by S. M. Sperry).

55—In our system, why is P alkalinity maintained greater than ½ MO alkalinity and what chemical is present in the water due to this relationship?

Since P alkalinity must be greater than ½ M alkalinity for no bicarbonates to be present, and since bicarbonates will form CO, when subjected to heat, limits on P alkalinity are put above ½ M so that no bicarbonates are present. With P great than ½ M, hydrates are present.

56—Why is a concentrated solution of sodium chloride used to regenerate a zeolite (green sand) softener and why is it necessary to back wash it after regeneration?

In the use of zeolite (generally sodium zeolite) for softening water, the sodium replaces the calcium or magnesium in the water and eliminates the soap consuming or hardness properties of the water. The sodium zeolite is changed to calcium or magnesium zeolite. After this cycle has used most of the sodium in the zeolite bed, a backwash of clean water eliminates any foreign matter left by the raw water. By passing a strong solution of salt (sodium chloride) through bed, the calcium and magnesium zeolite is changed to sodium zeolite. Clean water is again passed through the zeolite to force the brine through the zeolite thoroughly, to wash out any excess brine and to eliminate the resulting calcium and magnesium chloride.

57—Why should the boiler be blown down occasionally with the main blow-down valves even though a continuous blowdown arrangement is available?

The main boiler drum blowdown valves should be used periodically to: (1) Eliminate any solids collected at bottom of drum; (2) Check on condition of valve.

58—What causes turbidity in water? How is it eliminated in boiler water?

Turbidity in water is caused by suspended matter in finely divided state. It is eliminated by blow-down.

59—What substances compose the total solids as determined by analysis of a sample of boiler water?

The substances composing the solids in boiler water determined by our standard tests are carbonates, bydrates, sulphates, and chlorides. The other solids are taken into account in the solids factor supplied by our professional testing laboratory.

60—Why is it recommended to filter the sample before making the test for silica concentration?

A sample for silica test is filtered to remove any interference in color from suspended matter.

61—Why should the drains from the intercondenser after the air ejector be piped into the condenser and not the hotwell?

The air ejector eliminates most of the gases from the steam in the condenser. Some steam is pulled with these gases. As soon as part of this steam is condensed in the intercondenser, it absorbs some of the gases. If this drain is put into the hot well, these gases are returned to the system. If it is returned to the condenser above the takeoff to the air ejector, the water is heated by the steam in the condenser, freeing the gases which are again subjected to the action of the air ejectors.

62—Why is it sometimes necessary to dump the drains from the after condenser of the air ejector?

The after condenser drains contain more gases than

the intercondenser drains. If the system contains ammonia, a large percentage will be in these drains and the best way to eliminate it from the system is to dump it.

63—When a boiler is blown down with the main blow-down valves, why is it better to do this at low boiler output than at high load?

It is better to use the main blowdown valves at low load because:

- This major blowdown might affect water circulation in boiler.
- (2) The feedwater regulator will try to return the level to normal by putting in a large amount of relatively cold water. This will affect steaming rate more at high loads.
- (3) Concentration in blowdown will be higher due to smaller amount of steam bubbles being formed to carry solids to top of water.

64—Under what conditions can boiler water wall headers be blown down?

Boiler water wall headers can be blown down only when there is very little circulation in them, Water wall headers should not be blown when boiler is steaming.

65—What is the boiler manufacturers' usual guarantee on solids in saturated steam from the boiler?

Boiler manufacturers now guarantee not over one ppm solids carryover in saturated steam.

**66**—Why is it desirable to feed sodium sulphite continuously?

It is desirable to feed sodium sulphite continuously to provide a certain amount for eliminating oxygen and insure the presence of an excess at all times.

# **Holding Fixture Saves Relay Testing Time**

THE illustrated fixture for holding battery field and battery charging contactors as they are being tested was recently placed in operation at Allis-Chalmers' Electrical Control Plant. The device cuts operation time from several minutes to less than one minute.

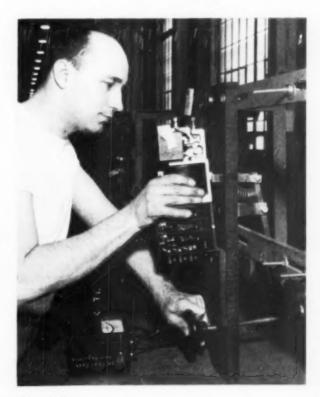
# Operation

By pushing a handle at the bottom of the mounting panel. the jaws of the fixture are made to move forward by a lever acting against a small compression spring. This also opens the jaws so that a relay may be inserted. Releasing the handle causes the jaws to engage the relay and draw it against the panel while its lower edge rests on the pivoted locating board. By swinging the locating board upward through 180 degrees, the device can also be made to accommodate battery charging contactors. When in this position, the board is held securely by a catch at the top.

# Advantage

Formerly, two bolts inserted from behind the board held the relay in place for testing. With the new arrangement, however, this cumbersome procedure is completely eliminated, yet the necessary position and align-

ment for testing this sensitive equipment is still maintained.





# LUBRICATION

By C. J. Copley and Will Risk

# Part XIV-Diesel Engine Lubrication

A Diesel engine is a heat engine. Unlike the gasoline engine the fuel in Diesel cylinders is ignited by the heat developed by compression in each cylinder and not by a separate ignition system.

DRAIN TO PUMP STRAINE ONVER LUBRICATING - OIL NEW TANK THAINS THAINER

FIG. 1. TYPICAL DIESEL ENGINE LUBRICATION SYSTEM. THE OIL DRAINS TO AN OUTSIDE RESERVOIR OR REST TANK. A GEAR-TYPE, ENGINEDRIVEN PUMP DRAWS OIL FROM THE REST TANK THROUGH STRAINERS AND AN OIL COOLER (NOT SHOWN) AND DISCHARGES TO THE ENGINE LUBRICATION SYSTEM.

CHART A (BELOW) RELATIVE EFFICIENCIES, HEAT ACTIVATED PRIME MOVERS. CHART B (RIGHT) GRAPHIC REPRESENTATION OF THERMAL EFFICIEN-CIES AND LOSSES IN GASOLINE AND DIESEL ENGINES.

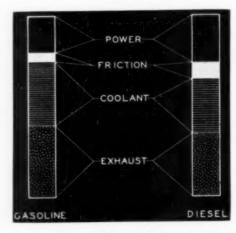
Heat Activated	Prime Movers	
TYPE	% THERMAL EFFICIENC	
Steam Locomotive	6 to 8	
Stationary Steam Engine	8 to 22	
Turbines	10 to 27	
Gasoline Engines	22-30	
Diesel Engines	32-40	

Diesels are designed to operate at various speeds. Under 500 rpm they are considered as "slow" speed engines, between 500 rpm and 1,000 rpm as "medium" speed and over 1,000 rpm as "high" speed engines.

The fuel they consume is injected into their combustion chambers by various methods, some using air under pressure, others using water, while the most common is by "solid" injection, where the fuel is mechanically sprayed directly into the combustion chamber. Some are designed to use "opposed" pistons usually to reduce vibration; some utilize cross-head construction to reduce the weight of reciprocating parts; while others, known as "double acting," have combustion chambers at both ends of their cylinders to increase the ratio of power produced to the engine weight.

Specific Diesel engines may also differ in such things as design of the combustion chamber, types of fuel nozzles, lubrication system employed (Fig. No. I) and other variations incorporated by individual builders of Diesel engines.

The Diesel is used primarily as a prime mover as well as an auxiliary source of power. It has a broad field of service. It is highly economical. Therefore interest in its development has been keen and its growth in recent years has been corre-



spondingly rapid. Today its application to industry is most diversified. To meet this wide diversification of use, large Diesels of over 22,000 hp capacity have been developed for central station service, as well as small units of only a few horse-power for auxiliary use.

The wide acceptance of the Diesel engine stems from the fact that it is the most efficient of all prime movers dependent upon heat as the source

of their power producing energy. (See charts A and

As an example of the economy of the Diesel over other types of power plants which might be used it is interesting to note that the famous Union Pacific Diesel-drawn M 10,001 train crossed the U. S. at a cost of \$83.00 for fuel. A similar steamdrawn train would have consumed around \$300.00 worth of coal for the same trip.

# - BASIC PRINCIPLES OF CONSTRUCTION -

Regardless of how many cylinders or the particular mechanical design of the engine, these basic components are found on all types:

An air filter through which clean air at atmospheric pressure is brought into the Diesel cylinder to be compressed.

Inlet valves through which air enters the cylinder.

Piston rings and cylinders which make it possible to compress the volume of air above the piston and increase its pressure.

Fuel injection system which enables the injection

of liquid fuel into the compressed air space above the piston at or near the top of its stroke.

Exhaust valves which allow the exhaust gases to escape from the cylinder after the power stroke.

Connecting rod, crank shaft, etc., which enable the transmission of power from the moving piston to a source outside the engine.

Cooling system to cool the cylinder walls and prevent destruction of the cylinders.

# - LUBRICATION PROBLEM -

To simplify our discussion we will concern ourselves only with those particular problems imposed by the Diesel engine upon its lubricant and compare them with the lubricating problems of the

commonly understood gasoline engine.

A study of Chart C will emphasize the important degree of difference between gasoline and Diesel engines that have a direct bearing on their lubricating problems. From this tabulation we can earmark and immediately identify those operating characteristics that pose a more severe demand upon the lubricating oil required by the Diesel engine as being:

FACT	ORS AFFECTING LUBRICAT	ION
Gasoline Engin	Vs	Diesel Engine
Air & Fuel	Gas Compressed	Air
6:1	Compression Ratio	16:1
90-150 psi	Compression Pressure	500-600 psi
400 F	Compression Temperatures	1200 F
3800 F	Combustion Temperatures	3800 F
1200 F-1300 F	Exhaust Temperatures	700-1000 F

Increased Pressures—3 to 6 times ring and bearing pressures.

Increased Heat—3 times the heat to affect the protective oil films.

Increased Oxidation — More oxygen at higher temperatures to implement oxidation of the oil film.

From the lubricant's point of view, its problem in a Diesel engine is threefold:

Protects the Cylinders and Rings Against Wear
—An explosion of burning power drives each piston and "oil wet" cylinder walls are the elements of protection against wear of liners and rings.

Protect the Cylinders and Rings Against Deposits and Blowby—Protection against deposits and blowby is the lubricating oil's way of saying: "More hours of continuous operation. More hours between overhauls and cleaning."

Protect Bearings Against Wear—For protection of bearings against wear, two things are necessary:

One, the bearing and the shaft must be separated by a film of oil so that the microscopic high spots of their surfaces do not touch. Two, the oil must be non-corrosive to bearing metals used in the engine.

#### - LUBRICATION TROUBLES -

The lubrication troubles most often encountered in Diesel engine operation are either caused by

improper selection of lubricant or result from the improper operations or maintenance of that engine.

Quite likely any one "trouble" might well be the result of any number or combinations of causes. Efficient Diesel engine lubrication is not obtained by the selection of a proper lubricant alone. Effi-

cient lubrication can only be obtained when all negatively contributing factors are corrected. • Following is a partial list of some of the more common "troubles" and their causes.

HIGH OIL CON-SUMPTION... Excessive oil consumption may be the result of several causes not directly attributed to the oil in use. Excessive operating temperature
Excessive dilution of the oil
Clogged oil rings
Excessive oil splash
Worn cylinders, piston rings or ring grooves

STUCK RINGS . . . Excessively high temperatures tend to oxidize the lubricating oil and build up "carbon deposits" that freeze the piston rings in their slots.

Use of an improper lubricating oil that oxidizes to form hard carbon in the ring slots. Operating the engine at too high a temperature, thereby placing an added increment of heat upon the lubricating oil
Dirty air
Unsuitable fuel oil
Over-supply of lubricating oil
Insufficient cooling

BEARING WEAR . . . Excessive bearing wear is often caused by the lack of a proper protective oil film.

Use of too thin a lubricating oil to provide adequate oil film
Use of too heavy an oil that restricts rate of oil supply
Low oil level
Low oil pressure
Plugged oil passage
Excessive bearing side clearance that allows oil to escape without setting up an "oil wedge"
Use of a "dirty" oil

# LUBRICATION PRESCRIPTION -

Practical operating experience has dictated four LUBRICATION PRESCRIPTIONS for the average Diesel engine: One—the oil must protect the cylinders and rings against wear. Two—the oil must protect against deposits and blowby. Three—the oil must protect bearings against wear. Four—the oil must provide economical lubrication.

To Prevent Wear—Because the oil in a Diesel is drastically thinned by the hot piston or cylinder wall, the oil must maintain exceptional wear-prevention properties. To further protect cylinders and rings against wear, the oil used must vaporize cleanly at the "scene of explosion." It must not leave deposits of abrasive material to cause wear.

To Protect Bearings Against Wear—To maintain a proper thickness of film between the shafts and bearings of the engine, it is necessary to select an oil of the correct viscosity. The builder's instruction book for the engine serves as a guide. Because an unimpeded oil flow through oil lines and screens to vital bearings is important, the oil used must have great resistance to deposit formation and have considerable capacity to keep engine surfaces clean.

To Protect Against Deposits and Blowby — In order to assure long hours of ring freedom and protection against loss of power in the engine, it is necessary that the oil selected be built for Diesel service. Such an oil, when baked to a crisp by the terrific heat in the cylinder will leave deposits that are soft, weak and easily blown away by the hot gases around the rings. Unlike unsuitable oils, they will not form hard, adhesive or gummy-like deposits which resist removal through the normal action of the engine.

To Provide Economical Lubrication—To be an economical lubricant, the oil must protect the rings, cylinders and bearings against wear; provide maximum freedom from deposits that stick rings, create blowby, interfere with valve action, and clog exhaust ports; and minimize maintenance expense on the engine over a long period.

Long and efficient service of Diesel lubricating oil may be assured by proper care of the oil and regular attention to the cleanliness of the oiling system.

The relation between the Diesel engine and its lubricating oil is one of paradoxes. The engine wants the oil to stay clean, yet it makes it "dirty"; it wants the oil to stay cool, yet it makes it hot; it wants the oil to be "slippery", yet it makes it gritty: it wants to use oil, yet the owner wants to save it.

A properly selected lubricating oil does not wear out, nor does it "break down" while in service in any engine, gasoline or Diesel. The fact that it becomes contaminated and should be cleaned or perhaps even replaced is a natural result of engine operations.

The engine often burns the oil and sometimes turns part of it into some form of objectionable contaminant. It puts unburned fuel in the oil and hence may make it too thin for safe continuance in service. It often puts moisture into the oil, helping to form objectionable emulsions. The engine itself does many detrimental things to its lubricating oil, thereby making it only good sense and good practice to continually remove those damaging contaminants while the oil is in service, or even to replace the used oil in order to get such objectionable impurities out of the engine before they cause expensive damage.

The important thing is the rapidity with which the condition is reached that demands the removal and replacement of the cil. The rate at which the cil is contaminated is directly related to the operation and maintenance of the engine, the kind of engine maintenance, the proper operation of the engine, and the efficiency of the cil filtering systems.

Assuming even the proper lubricating oil is in service in the Diesel, impurities will develop. The following are those impurities most commonly encountered together with their source of employment:

Oil Dilution—Fuel oil, because of improperly adjusted or worn nozzles, poor combustion regulation, etc., may seep down past the rings and contaminate the lubricating oil. It will not later evaporate from the oil in the engine.

This dilution then weakens the lubricating film. Containing sulphurous material, it will promote sludge formation. It may even bring about a definite acid condition to cause corrosion of bearings in some cases.

Carbon Particles—From the combustion of fuel, remain in the engine and eventually get into the oil, Sooner or later these products of combustion

build up in the piston grooves and freeze the rings in place. Finally the rings will not expand and contract as they should.

Carbon deposits from the burned fuel alone may not be the cause of poor ring operation. More likely they mix with the fuel oil stewing in the hot parts of the cylinder and form a gummy mass that does stick the rings.

Incombustibles—Encourage wear and serve as catalysts to promote more rapid oxidation of the lubricating oil. Incombustibles include dirt, dust, atc.

Water or Moisture—Collects in the lubricating oil because water is formed wherever fuel is burned. All of the water, of course, will not be removed in the exhaust. Some may be evaporated in the engine. None-the-less, frequent filtration is necessary.

Tightness of water jacketing system, piston cooling connections, improper control of cooling water temperatures are factors contributing to water contamination.

Oil Oxidation Products — Are more readily brought about by agitation of the oil in the presence of heat and air. The oxidation is further promoted by other contaminants like dust, dirt, etc.

Such oxidation products include those soluble in the oil, which will not be deposited in the engine at normal temperatures of operation, and those insoluble in the oil, which will clog strainers, oil passages and foul the entire circulation system.

**Sludge**—Formed by an intimate mixture of impurities brought about through circulation with the oil when it is under heat and pressure often aided by moisture.

Metal Particles — Get into the oil because of wear on the engine. Although they form very, very slowly with normal operation, they can serve as catalysts to encourage oxidation of the lubricating oil.

Economical Diesel engine operation demands the employment of some form of filtering devices that will continually remove such impurities from the oil in the crankcase. Particularly in the case of large stationary engines, it may be sound economy that the oil not only be cotninuously filtered while actually in the engine but that it be removed periodically from the engine and separately treated.

The purification of used Diesel engine lubricating oil is often a complex problem particularly since many types of "additives" are commonly a part of many Diesel lubricants. Studied consideration should be given any proposed filtration or treatment of such oils. Since it is an important subject, a subsequent article will deal with "The Purification of Lubricating Oils".

# Push Button Operation Only a Dream

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The dream of operating a steam electric power station by one man sitting in an air conditioned office watching a single dial and twisting a single control handle to solve all operating problems is only a cartoonist's exaggeration.

A LTHOUGH increasing costs of operating personnel are giving greater emphasis to centralized control, the one man push button operation of steam electric power stations is only a dream. Present day controls and equipment are not trusted to operate satisfactorily without adequate attention.

#### Limitations

The amount of advantageous centralization revolves about the number of manual controls that can be handled by one man in time of trouble. One man can supervise many controls while everything is functioning properly, but in time of trouble the number and complexity of the controls that one man can handle depends to a large extent on the panel layout and the ability of the man.

A recently constructed steam electric power plant with only two boilers and two generators had a centralized panel control board. The boiler control panels of even this relatively minor arrangement totaled 38 ft, and contained 84 indicators, 36 recorders, 12 controllers, 50 sets of start and stop switches with an average of 3 lights to a switch. The turbine panels totaled 26 feet and contained 14 indicators, 20 recorders and 16 sets of start and stop push buttons averaging 3 lights to a switch.

# Trend

A vast amount of thought and effort should be applied to developing reliable controls for auto-

Abstracted from an address presented before the Winter General Meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. matic starting of boilers and turbines, especially from an overnight standby condition. Managements are asking engineers to consider seriously some automatic time clock device, possibly with temperature and vibration sensitive adjustments, to co-ordinate starting procedures properly, both from the viewpoint of uniformity of operation and ease of control.

The number of controls that one man may handle may be increased safely to some extent by logical arrangement and use of different types of control handles for different types of control, so that routine adjustments become simplified and, in emergencies, the operator acts from habit without having to think out each step of what he should do.

There is a need for miniature mechanical instruments comparable to those on electrical boards or to those used for large airplanes. Furthermore, for ease and reliability of operation, the instruments and controls should be segregated to permit manipulating the vital controls from a central point with those having minor manual adjustments for efficiency and the historical items located at some less strategic point.

# Centralized Control of Steam Electric Power Stations

#### Disadvantages

 Space required for control room in heart of station. Adds to initial construction cost by adding building space and may add it for the full height of the station.

Each additional instrument and control adds equipment to be maintained and each is a potential source of trouble because it may function incorrectly.

3. Complexity of many instruments, controls, alarms and lights require a considerable training period for operators, especially if the mechanical and electrical men have to substitute for one another. With two mechanical men and one electrical man in a control room, this substitution might easily be required.

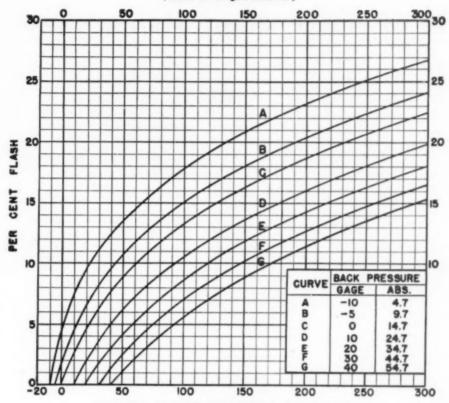
 Added cost; due to either duplication of controls, or longer runs of instrumentation and control leads and the space required for them.

#### Advantages

- Presentation of all pertinent data to one operator to give a better understanding of the plant as an integrated co-ordinated unit.
- integrated co-ordinated unit.

  Ability of operator to take corrective action simultaneously for two or more operations, should conditions demand.
- Avoidance of communication errors.
   Improvement in quality of operation (better operating conditions of the centralized control room attract higher type personnel.) This means more than better thermal efficiency as it should give better maintenance of load during upset conditions, quicker restoration after an interruption, and better judgment in preventing an interruption.
- More automatic controls may be required, which tend to free the operator from details and permit more supervision.





PRESSURE OF HOT CONDENSATE - P.S.I. GAGE

# **Chart for Flash Steam Calculations**

RNGINEERS desiring to know how much flash steam is formed upon condensate being discharged to return lines, whether for use in a heating system, or for process steam supply system, etc., can easily and quickly find the answer on the accompanying chart.

#### Example

Supposing in a given plant some 100,000 lb of condensate per hour at an initial pressure of 120 lb is discharging to a back pressure of 30 lb (gage). How much flash steam would be formed?

Going to the Chart, the back pressure table (inset) indicates 30 lb back pressure to be curve F. After locating the 120 psi on the horizontal base line, move vertically up to where this line intersects curve F, and take your reading, in this case, 8.5%.

Since this figure is the per cent of flash steam formed per pound of water, the total flash steam formed would be  $100,000 \times 8.5\%$  or 8500 lb per hour available for other use.

# Chart Available

Reprints of this chart and also a similar chart based on absolute pressures are available from the Armstrong Machine Works, Three Rivers, Mich.

Courtesy Armstrong Machine Works

# Technical Knowledge Essential In Effective Plant Management

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There is a popular theory that a plant manager need only to be familiar with the principles and techniques of management. These are obviously essential, but to be completely effective, he must also have a technical understanding of the business in all its phases.

T becomes increasingly obvious how important it is that those in management positions have good technical understanding of their businesses.

# Subordinates

A manager who relies entirely on his immediate subordinates for all information of matters beneath them and accepts their judgment implicitly, is riding for a fall. He becomes a figurehead. He must be sufficiently familiar with the workings of all phases of the business that he can question his subordinates intelligently. No matter how capable a subordinate is, he is going to do a better and a more thorough job, if he knows that his superior understands his work to the point that he can ask probing and, sometimes, embarrassing questions.

Sometimes a business appears to be going along well when suddenly things start to go wrong. Conditions are exposed which have existed for a long time and have been gradually affecting the business until they become noticeable to the top man. He wonders how long this has been going on and why didn't he know. If he had had a technical understanding of his business, he would have known long before the conditions became bad. In all probability, the conditions would not have come into existence at all.

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# Case Study

An extreme example of a top management's technical incompetence is found in the case of a good sized process machinery manufacturing plant, now defunct.

About fifty years ago a man developed a new method of processing a commercially used chemical. He was quick to see the possibilities, and began manufacturing processing machinery to sell to chemical manufacturers. He was quite successful, and, being a good open-minded manager, along with having a complete technical understanding of his business, the business grew until it was bevond the scope of one man to control intimately each part of the business. Still the business prospered under his leadership. Final ly, he died.

The business was inherited entirely by his wife. There were no sons to take over and the widow did not think that anyone in the organization was competent to take her husband's place as head of the business. So she hired a man from another industry, a man with some knowledge of management principles, but no knowledge of that particular type of business. He did not attempt to educate himself in the innards of the business, but sat at the top and operated solely through his division heads, some of whom he hired to replace the

older men in the organization.

Competition improved products, but this business did not. Competition cut costs, but again this company did not. Up until almost the end, the man in charge was not completely aware of just what was wrong. He knew that sales were dropping and costs rising, but he didn't know why. He just didn't have enough technical knowledge of the business. He didn't know its innards. He had become the figurehead on an antiquated vessel and the newer liners, without figureheads, steamed past him. The business failed fifteen years after the founder died.

# **Balanced Management**

A manager has to realize that knowledge of the principles and techniques of management in general is not enough. Conversely, knowledge of only how to make the goods or to sell the goods is not enough. It is not too difficult for the man trained in scientific management methods to learn intimately the workings of a new business. If he'll get down to where people can talk to him, he'll learn a lot. And, of course, there is good technical literature on almost every subject.

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# Special Wrench for Plug Valves

THE wrench illustrated here is particularly advantageous where several valves of the same size are in the same vicinity. It can be easily fabricated from 34 in. bar stock. Make a bend near the center of a 5 ft piece so that the square corners formed will fit over the square on the end of the plug.

# Regulating Valve Held in Position

N the oil coolers in our plant, we have a 34" gate valve for regulating flow. The stem of this valve comes through the floor plates near a steam turbine and the vibration of the turbine caused the valve to close by itself. The stem on this valve is approximately 6' long and is protected above the

floor with a 1" pipe bolted to the floor plates. To correct this trouble, we installed a thumb screw near the top of the shield pipe. Now the valve can be regulated and the thumb screw tightened, so there is no more worry about it vibrating closed.

L. B. McGEE (LA.)



After the short end is brought back and tack welded to the long end, cut a small piece to fit across the bent section of the wrench to form a "box" for turning the square head of the plug.

H. A. HESS (HOUSTON, TEX.)

# Air Intake Equalizer

NEN with dual air cleaners on the outboard end of the intake line of each of a battery of 1,000 hp gas engines, there was a noticeable pulsation in the suction which was felt at the various cylinders and which resulted in unequal volumes and pressures of air at the various suction valves of the engine.

To smooth out the flow of intake air and thus improve combustion and operation, equalizers, constructed much like mufflers with dual shells and baffles, were cut into the intake line close to the tee connecting the two air cleaners. The extra volume of air in this added space tended to provide an even flow through the suction line, and to reduce the effect of the suction impulses on the oil bath within the cleaners.

Constructed from light steel plate, and welded throughout, the equalizing chamber could be carried on the suction line from its point of support at the station wall, and required no additional foundation or bracing. Connection to the cleaner tee was made with bolted flanges and the usual flat gasket.

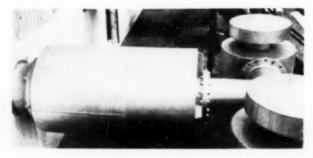
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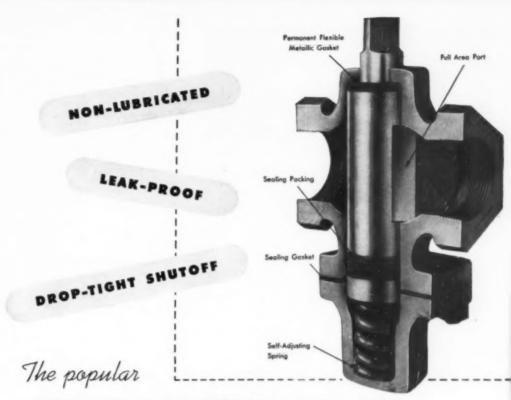
# Color Shows Sheave Diameter

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# **Handling Cost Reduced**

PALES and cases of rayon yarns and staples, as well as cotton staples and yarn, together with beams of rayon yarn are now being handled expeditiously, with less damage and "at a great deal less cost" at the plant of the Marion Manufacturing Company, Marion, N. C., producers of grey goods both in rayon and cotton and in mixture. This efficiency in operation has come about since the Company installed storage battery-powered industrial truck units for the handling and storage of bales, cases and beams.

Two fork trucks and a powered hand truck, of the platform type, comprise the plant's present fleet. The first fork truck was obtained in the spring of 1948, the other two units late in 1948 and early 1949. One fork truck has a capacity of 1,000 lb, and a lift of 60 inches. The hand truck is used to transport skids and beam racks, while the second fork truck can lift a load 90 inches vertically, and has a capacity of 2,500-lb.

According to W. W. Greene, in charge of raw materials at the plant, the 1,000-lb capacity fork truck "paid for itself in about a month", while it was used to move incoming shipments of looms into plant buildings. Each of these looms weighed approximately 1,-800-lb and arrived in box cars. A total of seventy such cars arrived at the plant. In the first operations of unloading, a loom would be taken from a car, set on a wheeled truck and moved by a crew of approximately eight men to a plant

elevator and thence into position. Some twelve cars had been unloaded in this fashion, while demurrage on waiting freight cars mounted. Then the fork truck, with counterweighting added to take care of the weight in excess of the truck's rated capacity, was called into service.

"The work of unloading, moving and deposit of the looms on the mill floor was done in about onefifth of the time that had been required to do it manually and with a less amount of man-power involved." Mr. Greene said, "As a result, our saving on freight car demurrage not only was considerable, but we were able to install the new looms much more quickly. All these savings amounted to a considerable sum, and that is why we say that the truck paid for itself in the month's time that it was used for this operation alone."

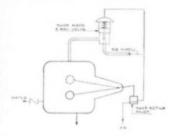
In the handling of rayon staple in bales either, or both, of the fork trucks are used. These bales weigh approximately 500-lb. They are picked up and carried two at a time from the unloading platforms into the adjoining warehouse area. Here they are tiered five- to six-high. Rayon yarn, in cases, weighs between 400 and 450 pounds a case and is handled in the same manner.

The company has worked out a method of handling the loom beams of rayon warp, which has greatly reduced the time between receipt and movement into production. Padded sleeves or "shoes",

devised at the plant, and made of soft, scrap material, are slipped over the truck's forks, and the beams are lifted from racks in the interior of the highway trailer truck delivering them, and moved along the loading platform to the warehouse. Here they are deposited on storage racks. As needed the beams are removed by fork truck and taken to a production line rack. This is made of angle irons and holds two beams. Mounted on skid legs it is easily picked up and moved into the production area of the plant by means of the battery-powered hand truck

# **Automatic Blow Cases**

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# FOR SOUTHERN INDUSTRY

# Atlantic Steel to Have Open House

Agricultural machinery and equipment made by Southern manufacturers, who use Atlantic Steel Company's prime materials or processed parts, will be spotlighted at the Atlantic Steel Company's "Dixisteel on Dixie Farms" Open House, May 5-6 in Atlanta, Georgia.

In announcing the 1950 Open House plans, Mr. R. S. Lynch, Atlantic Steel Company president, pointed out that exhibits would be located throughout the plant. Plows, harrows, distribu-

tors, peanut pickers and a wide range of products for the farm will be featured in these mechanized displays.

In addition to the mechanized exhibits, plant engineers are invited to attend the extensive plant tours. Beginning with the open hearth and continuing on through the plant, displays will show how raw materials are processed into semi-finished and finished products. Tour will include open hearth, soaking pits, blooming mill, bar mill, strip mill, wire and nail mills, galvanizing department, and forge shop.

# "More Power to America Special"

Inspecting a scale model of one of the exhibit cars of General Electric's "More Power to America Special" are, left to right: C. P. Lang, Vice President in charge of Sales, Apparatus Department; C. P. Fisher, Jr. Manager of the Apparatus Exhibit Train Division; and J. S. Smith, Manager of the Apparatus Department's Advertising and Sales Promotion Divisions.

The "Special", first train of its kind in industrial history, will display a vast array of the most modern electrical apparatus ever assembled for exhibit.

It will begin a nationwide tour of key industrial centers this spring for inspection by utility and industrial executives and municipal leaders. Schedules for Southern and Southwestern industrial centers will be announced in SP&I.



# **FUTURE EVENTS** Of Engineering Interest

ASSOCIATION OF IRON & STEEL ENGINEERS, Sec y, 1010 Empire Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa. Apr. 3-4, Spring Conference, Bir-mingham, Ala.

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MIDWEST POWER CONFERENCE,
Roland A. Budenholzer, Dir., Illinois Institute of Technology, 3300
S. Federal St., Chicago 16, Ill.

April 5-7, Twelfth Annual Conference, Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF TOOL ENGINEERS, Sec'y, 2567 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, Mich. Apr. 10-14, Industrial Cost-Cutting Exposition, Philadelphia, Pa.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MECHANI-CAL ENGINEERS, Sec y, 29 West 39th St., New York, N. Y. Apr. 12-14, Spring Meeting, Hotel Statler, Washington, D. C.

AMERICAN STEEL WAREHOUSE ASSOCIATION, Walter S. Doxgey, Pres., Terminal Tower, Cleveland,

Apr. 27-28, Annual Meeting, Hous-HOUSTON INDUSTRIAL EXPOSI-TION, Ed G. Lenzner, Gen. Mgr., 41 San Jacinto St., Houston 2,

May 10-14, First Annual Exposition, Coliseum Houston, Texas.

# General Electric to Launch "More Power to America Special"

The "More Power To America Special", first train of its kind in industrial history, is being launched on a nationwide tour this spring by General Electric's Apparatus Department.

Exhibits of more than 2,000 electrical products, processes and techniques ranging from precise aircraft instruments to complex working models of steel mill, textile and other industry equipment, are displayed throughout nine cars of the train.

C. H. Lang, Vice President in charge of sales for the company's Apparatus Department, said the train will visit the country's key industrial centers for inspection by utility and industrial executives and municipal leaders.

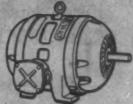
Pointing out that the exhibits dramatize the latest apparatus and ideas for producing and using electric power most efficiently, Mr. Lang hailed the mammoth "showcase on wheels" as a symbol of the contributions the entire electrical industry is making to the progress of industrial America.

The displays portray the latest advances in power generation and methods and equipment for the profitable use of electricity throughout all industry. They have been designed especially for those who produce electric power and those who put it to work in industry and the community.

Included in the exhibits are turbines of all types-steam, gas and mercury; equipment for transmitting

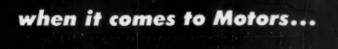












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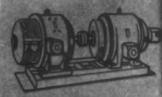


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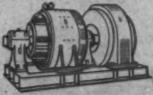












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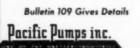
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### Ironton Fire Brick-Chattanooga

ROBBINS AND BOHR, 535 Chattanooga Bank Bldg., CHATTANOOGA 2, TENN., have been appointed Tennessee representatives for THE IRONTON FIRE BRICK Co. of Ironton, Ohio.

#### Reynolds Now Running Four Pot Lines at Jones Mills Plant

First capacity operation of Reynolds Metals Company's Jones Mills (Arkansas) aluminum reduction plant since the war started late in March.

The plant has four pot lines, each with a capacity for producing 36,000,-000 lb of aluminum annually. This gives the plant a yearly capacity of 144,000,000 lb of aluminum.

When Reynolds leased the plant from the government in 1946, it was only possible to start up two of the four pot lines there because of lack of economical electric power. The plant includes 68 large engine-generator sets capable of supplying 78,-000 kw of electric power which is sufficient to operate only two of the four pot lines.

In April, 1949, the third pot line was started up by using electric power supplied by the Arkansas Power & Light Company. But in August, a strike closed down the plant which was not put back in operation till late in September. At that time, only two of the four lines were started up.

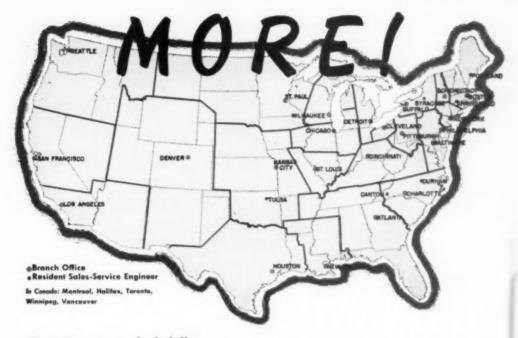
However, electric power became available from the new Lake Catherine power plant under a long-term contract with the Arkansas Power & Light Company, and Reynolds reopened the third pot line in February and the fourth late in March.



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### National Supply-St. Louis

Announcement has been made by Superior Engine Division of The National Supply Company of the appointment of John J. Fetsko, Jr., as Regional Manager in charge of all inland waterways Diesel sales for the Division. Mr. Fetsko will make his headquarters at Superior Engine Division's office in the Boatmen's Bank Building, St. Louis, Mo. Prior to this appointment Mr. Fetsko had been Sales Engineer for Superior Engine Division, located in New Orleans.

#### Wolverine Tube Appoints Kromer—Alabama

A. S. KROMER has been appointed factory manager of Wolverine Tube Division's Decatur Plant, according to D. W. Blend, plant manager.

Since the start of manufacturing operations in 1948, Kromer has been production manager of the mill, a unit of Calumet and Hecla Consolidated Copper Co. He has been with the technical and production departments of Wolverine Tube for the past 15 years.

### New Tulsa Office—Tube Turns

The Tulsa office of Tube Turns, Inc., has been moved from 317 South Detroit Avenue to 420 Wright Building. Robert S. Tyler, Jr., is manager of the company's Tulsa office.

#### New Directors Named by Atlantic Steel

Three new directors of Atlantic Steel Company, Atlanta, were elected at a recent meeting of the Company's stockholders. They are: C. B. Mc-Manus, President of the Georgia Power Company, and two Atlantic Steel Vice Presidents, JOSEPH H. GIRDLER and HOWARD B. JOHNSON.

Girdler, a graduate of Lehigh University, came to Atlantic Steel in 1941. Prior to his election as a Vice President in 1949, he served as Open Hearth Superintendent. He is now Vice President in Charge of Operations.

A graduate of Georgia Tech, Johnson has served the Company in various capacities since 1933. He was elected a Vice President in June, 1946, and is now Vice President in Charge of Sales and Finance.

The stockholders re-elected all officers of the Company. Other officers are: Charles F. Stone, Chairman of the Board; Robert S. Lynch, President; Wilbur Glenn, Vice President; C. H. Candler, Jr., Secretary; Gilbert Purvis, Treasurer; and Robert S. Stradley, Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer.



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Mr. Roney is located at 608 Oak Avenue, Clearwater, Florida. He has had more than thirty years of experience in engineering and sales including RCA, General Electric, Du-Pont, and Hercules. Mr. Roney was sales manager for La Bour Company, Inc., and has since served as sales representative for manufacturing equipment firms. He will handle Safety Heads and related products for B&&B.

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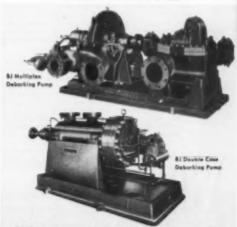
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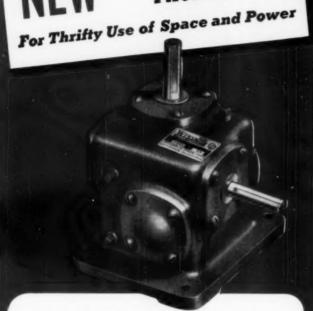
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### Ironton Fire Brick Elects Myers and Bales

THE IRONTON FIRE BRICK Co., Ironton, Ohio, has elected C. E. Bales as president of the company, to succeed E. F. Myers who is now chairman and treasurer. Mr. Myers continues his office in Jacksonville, Florida, to serve his friends in the Southern power plants.

#### Stone and Webster Vice President

STONE & WEBSTER ENGINEERING COR-PORATION announces the election by its Board of Directors of William F. Ryan as Vice President of the Corporation.



Mr. Ryan, broadly experienced in the power, industrial and chemical engineering fields, joined the organization in 1929 as a mechanical engineer, subsequently being responsible for the design of several heavy chemical plants and a number of steam power stations for public utility and industrial clients.

He became Assistant Chief Mechanical Engineer in 1941, Assistant Engineering Manager in 1945, and Engineering Manager in 1948. As Engineering Manager, he will continue to be responsible for the activities of the Engineering Department with his headquarters in the Boston office.

### Republic Rubber-Houston

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### Westinghouse Productive Power Show Goes on Road

Productive Power, a traveling show to demonstrate how industry can do its work better, faster, and cheaper electrically, went on the road in February. Produced by Westinghouse Electric Corporation, the show will be sponsored by public utilities for their industrial customers in 125 cities throughout the United States. The first showing was in Akron, Ohio, and the show will continue until the final demonstrations are given on the Pacific Coast early in 1951.

The show starts with a graphic demonstration of the effects of wire size and circuit protection in factory distribution systems. Effects of low power factor and its correction by the use of capacitors are shown on an actual circuit carrying power. Lighting problems and how they affect production in the plant are discussed and demonstrated.

Effects of air pollution by smoke and dust on manufacturing processes are described and the use of electrostatic air cleaners is shown by a working model. The speed of infrared heat for drying paint is compared with other methods. Three boards painted simultaneously before the audience are dried by forced air, by an electric strip heater, and by infra-red lamps. Only the board exposed to the infra-red lamps dries during the five-minute demonstration.

Spot welding of two pieces of steel illustrates the ease and speed of modern resistance welders. A movie shows furnace brazing and radio-frequency heating in production lines of actual plants. The strength of multi-layered plywood with joints dried on the stage by dielectric heat is demonstrated. The wood splinters before the bond breaks after only thirty seconds of heating.



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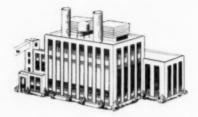
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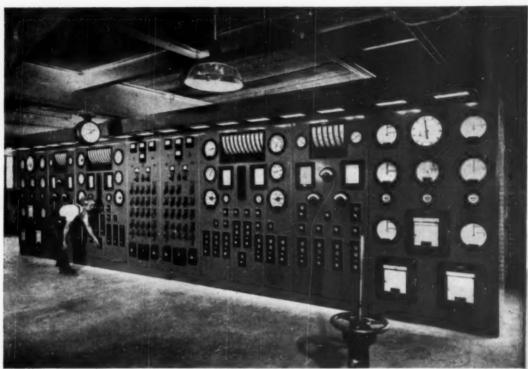
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## Church and Gatling Appointed to Westinghouse Southeastern Posts

MR. O. O. RAE, manager of the Westinghouse Electric Corporation's Southeastern District, announced the appointment of Mr. R. B. Chunch, Jr., as assistant to the district manager, and Mr. B. M. GATLING, JR., as central station division manager. Both men will be located in Atlanta.

Mr. Church attended Northeastern University and joined Westinghouse in 1924. Since that time, he has held various supervisory positions with the company in Boston and Atlanta. Prior to his present assignment, he was office supervisor, apparatus sales department, Atlanta office. He succeeds Mr. John Gelzer, Jr., who retired.

Mr. Gatling, a graduate of North Carolina State College, joined Westinghouse in 1922. Upon completion of the graduate student course and the power sales course, he was assigned to the Charlotte, N. C., sales office. His later assignments with the central station division were in the Florida and Georgia branches of the Southeastern District.

## Allis-Chalmers Service Shop—Tulsa

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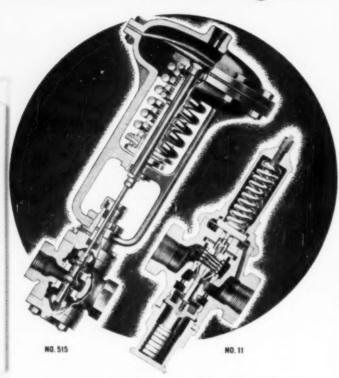
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#### Plibrico Appoints Beane-West Virginia

CODY R. BEANE has been appointed manager of the PLIBRICO SALES & SERVICE Co., 1315 Hansford St., CHARLESTON 1, WEST VIRGINIA, according to an announcement by THE PLIBRICO JOINTLESS FIREBRICK Co., Chicago, Ill. Mr. Beane succeeds the late Joseph S. Stanley who died on January 16 after serving as representative for the company for over 20 years. Mr. Beane will act as distributor of refractory products, maintaining a complete boiler setting and installation service.

## New Quarters for McBurney-

McBurney Stoker and Equipment COMPANY, previously located at 565 West Peachtree St., N. E., has moved into new quarters at 2110 Peachthree Road, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

The building at the new location was purchased in 1949 and many improvements have been made to the production, storage, and office space. Now 10,000 square feet is enclosed in the modern steel and concrete building, and 14,000 square feet of paved yard area is available for parking. Offices, shop, and warehouse are all in this building. A complete stock of all parts for all stokers manufactured by the company in the last 20 years is carried.

The company has been building McBurney under feed coal stokers for over 20 years and for the past three years has been building McBurney automatic wood refuse burners that will burn sawdust, shavings, and other refuse, all of which comply with the city smoke ordinances in every

McBurney has been selling and servicing Copes feedwater regulators for 34 years. They also handle complete boiler trimmings by Wright-Austin of Detroit, including water columns and float and bucket traps, which are carried in stock. They maintain a stock of Nicholson Thermostatic Traps and carry over 100 Clarage fans and motors of various



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#### INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION

WHAT: Houston Industrial Exposition WHERE: Coliseum, Houston, Texas WHEN: May 10-14, 1950

WHO: Regional and national manufacturers of industrial equipment and supplies

INFORMATION: Write E. G. Lenzner, General Manager, Houston Industrial Exposition, 41 San Jacinto St., Houston, Texas

#### E. F. Drew Appoints Matthews— North Carolina

M. M. MATTHEWS has been appointed resident engineer for E. F. Drew & Co., Inc., in the State of North Carolina.

Mr. Matthews has a chemical engineering degree from the University of North Carolina and has had considerable experience with water treatment and power plant operation. He was formerly with the Ecusta Paper Company.

Territory to be covered by Mr. Matthews includes North Carolina and part of South Carolina and Tennessee.

## TECHNICAL BOOKS

Oil Burners

BY KALMAN STEINER

Published by McGraw-Hill Book Co., 330 West 42nd Street, New York 18, N. Y.

6 x 9 inches—502 pages. Price, \$6.50.

This second edition is designed to provide up-to-date information on fuel oil, oil burners, and oil burning to those interested in the design, production, installation, operation and maintenance of industrial oil burners.

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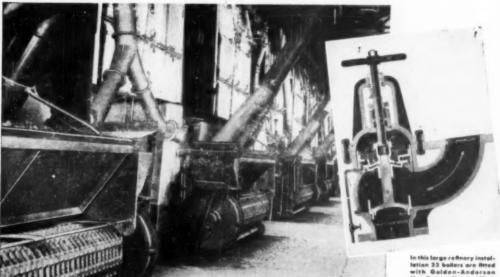
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## NEW EQUIPMENT for Southern Industry

### Hardness Determination in Water

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THE ELGIN SOFTENER CORPORATION, 132 N. Grove Ave., Elgin, Ill., has announced a new rapid method of determining hardness in water. In use for the past year in Elgin laboratories, the Versenate method is claimed to be faster and more accurate than the conventional soap method and is as simple to run as is an alkalinity titration.

For general data on standard solutions, indicators, reagents, and procedure, circle item number E-1 on the free service coupon postcard on page 17.

## Casting Machine

E-2 THE CENTRIFUGAL CASTING MACHINE COMPANY, P. O. Box 947, Tulsa, Okla., announces the new Model F Permanent Mold Casting Machine, which can be used for production of castings poured of steel, case iron, malleable iron, nodular iron, brass, bronze, magnesium, and aluminum.



The new machine makes it possible for the operator to place the core in the drag half of the permanent mold while the parting line is in a horizontal plane. Either dry sand or green sand cores may be used. If green sand cores are used, it is usually advisable to use an arbor. After the core is placed in the drag half of the mold, the mold is closed, then rotated to the pouring position. After pouring, the mold is rotated back to the horizontal position, the cope raised, and the casting lifted out of the drag. The mold is blown out, sprayed, and ready for a new core. According to the manufacturer, a production of 20 to 40 casts per hour can be obtained, depending upon size and type.

The machine is supplied complete with all accessories such as permanent molds, coreboxes, arbors, spraying equipment, spray wash. Ask for bulletin No. 149.

## Re-Entry Pumps

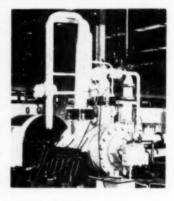
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Byron Jackson Pump Division Plant, Los Angeles, Calif., is now producing a combination of primary and secondary pumps built into one unit. These re-entry type pumps are designed to reduce installation space without introducing unusual maintenance problems and to provide savings in first costs by space saving and elimination of one driver per unit.

Two of these units have been built recently at the plant. Discharge pressure is 1570 psi and the total capacity is 1980 gpm. The pumps are driven by 2,025 hp steam turbines turning at 5,000 rpm. In the primary section, the water is pumped at 255 F. In the



secondary section the water is pumped at 465 F. The pumps are completely packless. The method of construction eliminates one set of bearings and one set of stuffingboxes. Part of the preheating is accomplished between the primary and secondary sections, thus making it possible to employ low pressure heaters.

#### Steam Cleaner

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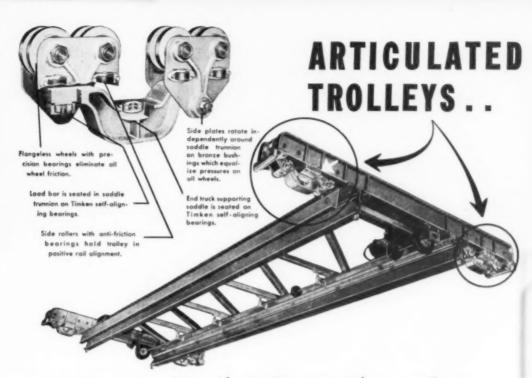
HOMESTEAD VALVE MFG. Co.,
Coraopolis, Pa., has announced a new Super-Duty
Hypressure Jenny Steam Cleaner designed and built to do cleaning jobs
and for heat transfer uses.

It is applicable for cleaning grease, grime and dirt from machinery and equipment. Its 300 gph capacity will operate from one to four cleaning



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output equivalent to a 25 hp boiler. Change is made by loosening two bolts and reversing crank arm. The unit is then ready for such jobs as heating tanks of viscous fluids, etc.

The Super-Duty Hypressure Jenny is made in trailer mounted, portable, and stationary models. Standard equipment includes cleaning gun, vapor hose, and a choice of either gasoline engine or 1 hp electric motor.

### Scoop-Shovel

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THE YALE & TOWNE MFG.
Co., Roosevelt Blvd. and
Haldeman Ave., Philadelphia 15, Pa., announces a new hydraulically - operated Scoop - Shovel
designed to eliminate manual shoveling when scooping, lifting, moving,
and dumping sand, coal, gravel, grain,
dry chemicals and similar loose materials.

The accessory can be attached to the Lift King and Worksaver electric and gas fork trucks for operation within the plant, plant yard, box cars, and truck trailers. It handles up to 27 cu ft of material. It tilts upward from the horizontal scooping position to cradle the load during transport, and tilts downward to completely dis-



charge the load when dumping. The device scoops at the ground level or digs into piled material. It dumps loads into bins or other receptacles up to 130 inches in height.



## Conveyor Idler Construction Features

## Complete Line of Idlers Troughing Idlers — illustrated above

Rubber-Tread Impact Troughing Idlers

recommended for use at loading points of the conveyor, especially when large lumps and heavy or coarse materials are being handled; to provide a cushion to absorb the impact of the material and protect the belt against bruising or tearing.





Positive Action Self-Aligning Idlers—for non-reversible belts. Should be spaced intermittently in both the carrying and return runs to automatically position the belt on the conveyor idler roadbed correcting misalignments due to off center loading, strong side winds, or unequal belt stretch. Counterweighted-Disc Self-Aligning Idlers for reversible belts are also available.

Return Idlers—have same smooth rounded-edge outer shell and interior construction as the troughing rolls, your assurance of an efficient return run with minimum belt wear.



Rubber Tread Return Idlers — for use when handling a wet or sticky material that clings to the belt, as these idlers induce a bending or

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Link-Belt idlers offer such outstanding features: grease-in-dirt-out seal...rolls with smooth rounded-edge outer shell to minimize belt wear... high-grade roller bearings... interlocking nut and yokes to prevent brackets from spreading under unusual impact... end brackets of tough malleable iron are riveted to and extend well beyond the rigid T section cross member to provide stability and transmit load directly to steel bar feet which are welded to each end of the cross member... grease fittings for rolls are protected within the deep outer ribs of the end bracket and provide a convenient and safe means for lubrication.

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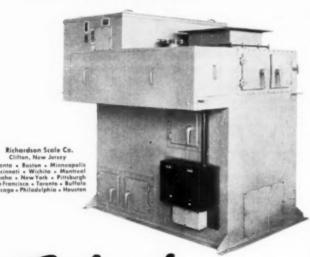
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## Spray Fan Coolers

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NIAGARA BLOWER COMPANY,
405 Lexington Ave., New
York 17, N. Y., announces a
new series of spray fan coolers for
convenient installation in refrigerated
rooms where high capacity is required but ceiling height is restricted.



In the new "Low Head Room" design the fan section is located on the side of the unit instead of on its top as in conventional practice. The air enters the spray section at the top; it is chilled in passing down through the spray and over the refrigerant coils; it enters the fan section at the bottom and is discharged from the side at the top. When refrigerant temperatures below freezing are used, the process is kept free from frost, ice, or from freezing by the use of brine or Niagara "No Frost" liquid in the

The application is suitable for food freezing, meat packing, cooling and freezing tunnels, and other refrigerating processes. Five unit sizes are produced at present with capacities ranging from 1680 to 11,000 cfm of chilled air. The maximum height is 72". Floor space required ranges from 16 sq ft to 72 sq ft.

#### Solenoid Valve

E-7

JOHNSON CORPORATION,
Three Rivers, Mich., has developed a special dash pot
design in its line of direct operated
solenoid valves to eliminate the water hammer that can result from the
sudden closing of a valve in a high
velocity pipe line.

The new valve is known as Series No. 4000, and is designed for normal-



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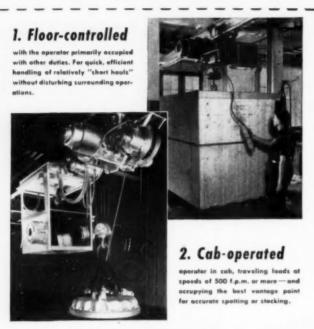
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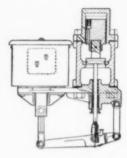


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ly closed operation. Dash pot construction consists of a bronze piston fitted within the top housing of the valve and pinned to the valve to fol-



low its movement. An upward seating ball check controls the flow through a port in this piston. When valve is opened and piston moves up, liquid above piston flows freely through the port so there is no resistance to the instant opening of valve orifice.

When valve closes, the ball check closes the port; liquid must then flow between the piston and housing, a restricted passage which slows the closing of the valve. Piston and valve are independent of the action of the valve-opening push rod.

Standard construction has cast iron body with bronze piston; all bronze can be furnished. Valve and seat are stainless steel. It is available in ¾, 1, 1¼, 1½, and 2 inch sizes.

Filter

E-8

THE SPARKLER MFG. Co., Mundelein, Ill., has recently introduced a new filter for fuel oil, gasoline, air, etc. One of the design features is the method by which a series of V-shaped horizontal filter discs are bolted into the cover of the filter housing to facilitate cleaning or replacing.

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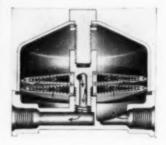
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center by a perforated flange. These leaves are covered with various filter media, providing a wide range of porosity and degree of filtration.



The filter is recommended by the manufacturer for removing solids down to 1 or 2 microns from liquids, for separating water from fuel oils, gasoline, etc., for separating oil from air or water, and for purifying gases.

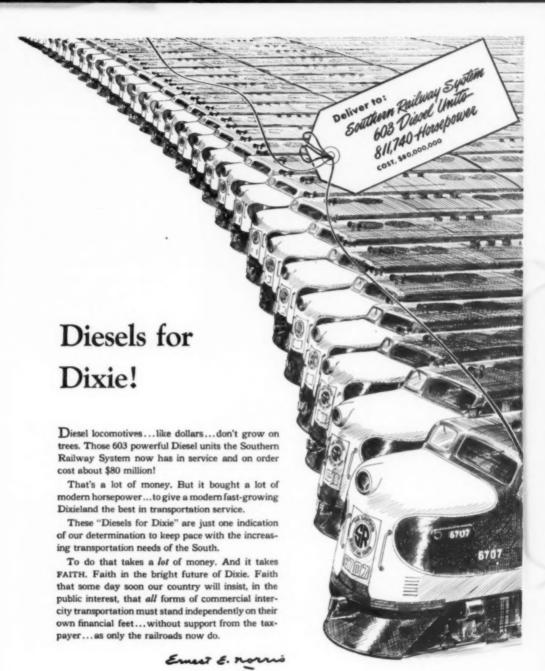
#### Shock Absorber

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R-S PRODUCTS CORPORATION,
Wayne Junction, Philadelphia 44, Pa., are producing
a complete line of compact liquid
shock absorbers designed to eliminate
shock and hammering in pipe lines



and liquid systems. The manufacturer claims that hammering, leaky joints, opened pipe seams, and excess pressure on valve packings can be reduced to a minimum when such damage is caused by the quick closing of valves or any action that suddenly stops the flow of liquid through a pump or other apparatus. The Industrial, Dual, and Super models are designed for general industrial use.





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#### Chemical Feeder

MANZEL, INC., Buffalo, N. Y., E-10 has announced a new chemical feeder that operates continuously with no extra attention in wet or dry oil fields.

The new feeder has a built-in force feed lubrication system designed to assure complete lubrication of the waste gas-driven motors, preventing the corrosion that frequently causes stoppage and results in bad tanks of oil. It eliminates excessive manual labor.

It is available with reciprocating or rotary drive gas motor, operating on as low as 3 lb pressure. It supplies any desired amount of chemical from 1/2 pint per hr up. Also available is a kit for conversion of present chemical feeders to force feed lubrication.

### **Electric Tiering Truck**

LYON-RAYMOND CORP., 9066 E-11 Madison St., Greene, N. Y., has announced a new electric tiering truck designed to tier from narrow aisles and in limited areas.



The truck, known as the "Space-Maker", is furnished in three different types: Platform type-for tiering skids; Fork type-for tiering single face pallets; Straddle type-for tiering two faced pallets. It is suitable for use in warehouses and manufacturing plants. Additional information is available from the manufacturer.

#### Underfeed Oiler

E-12 TRICO FUSE Mrg. Co., 2948
No. 5th St., Milwaukee 12,
Wis., is producing underfeed oilers for lubricating bearings
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amount of oil.



The oiler is mounted at the bottom of the bearing. One end of the solid felt wick is held in contact with the shaft by positive spring action. The other end rests at the bottom of the oil reservoir. Oil is raised by capillary action to the tip of the wick where it is distributed along the shaft. Oiler stops feeding when machine is not in motion. A clear plastic bottle keeps the oil supply visible. Metal parts are plated for corrosion resistance and easy cleaning. The oiler is available in 1, 2, and 4 oz capacities.

#### Thread Restoring Tool

E-13
THE OWATONNA TOOL COM-PANY, 395 Cedar St., Owatonna, Minn., has announced an adjustable hand thread chaser to restore battered or crossed threads



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#### Compressors

F-14 YORK CORPORATION, York, Pa., has developed a new line of high speed refrigeration compressors for ammonia application to handle from 15 to 275 hp equivalent of refrigeration.

The new line, known as V/W compressors, is said to result in greater freedom from vibration. Cylinder liners and all other parts subjected to wear can be removed for replacement, and most parts on the various size compressors are interchangeable.

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The ammonia V/W compressors are available for use with remote condensing equipment (either water cooled or evaporator cooled condensers) to meet refrigeration needs in the range of 15-275 hp. They are designed with 4, 6, 8, 12, and 16 cylinders and for direct connection to motor.

#### Industrial Rubber Mat

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PATTERSON-BALLAGH, Division of Byron Jackson Co., Dept. 21, P. O. Box 2493, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles 54, Calif., has announced a tough oil-resistant rubber mat for industrial use. It is applicable to use by operators of



drill presses, latches, and other shop machinery

Several mats may be laid together to cover large working areas or they may be cut apart to surface stairs and other small areas. Pattern design features large rubber blocks with a nonskid surface. The mat is grooved on the underside to prevent slipping under wet or oil conditions. The over-all size is 32" x 32", and the price is

### Pipe and Duct Insulation

ALFOL DIVISION OF REFLECT-E-16 AL CORP., 155 East 44th St., New York, N. Y., is producing a new insulating material for sheet metal ducts and steam pipes.

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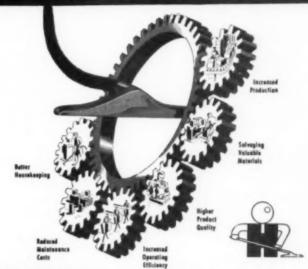
Literature and samples are available from the manufacturer.

#### Elevator Chain

BEAUMONT BIRCH Co., 1505 E-17 Race St., Philadelphia, Pa., is producing "Beaucalloy" elevator chains, made of a heat treated alloy steel

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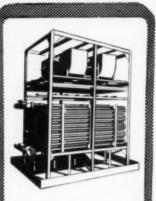
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Miniature Speed Changers

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METRON INSTRUMENT COM-PANY, 432 Lincoln St., Denver 9, Colo., is producing a line of miniature speed changers which make gear reductions as high as 750,000 to 1 available. These units are made up by adding one or two additional gearing sections to the standard three-section units having ratios up to 3375 to 1. This provides several hundred ratios between 1000:1 and 750,000:1 in addition to (500 or more) standard 1, 2 and 3 section units.

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#### Side-Shifter Attachment

THE YALE & TOWNE MFG. CO., E-20 Philadelphia Division, Roosevelt Blvd. and Haldeman Ave., Philadelphia 15, Pa., announces a new hydraulically operated sideshifter attachment designed for use with both their Lift King and Worksaver fork trucks. The device shifts the forks as much as 4 inches to the right or left of center. This increased flexibility saves storage space by making it possible to spot loads in odd corners, close to walls, and in other confined areas. It is applicable in such enclosed spaces as trailer trucks and freight cars. The side-shifter is said to be easily removed from the trucks to permit installation of other accessories.

### Heat Exchangers

F-19 YOUNG RADIATOR COMPANY, Racine, Wis., has expanded its redesigned line of heat exchangers with the addition of its new Type "R" (removable tube bundle) shell and tube heat exchangers.

These units are of corrosion-resistant Admiralty metal tubing. The line consists of both single and two-pass models in a wide range of capacities.

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For information on how the sideshifter can be applied to present equipment or for data on new sideshifter equipped trucks, write to the manufacturer.

## Quality Control Indicator

GENERAL ELECTRIC COM-PANY. Schenectady 5, N. Y., has recently developed a new device which they say can be instrumental in assuring the highest possible quality of most mass-produced items at reduced costs.

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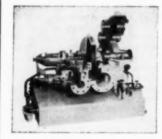
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#### Gearturbines

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WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORPORATION, P. O. Box 2099, Pittsburgh 30, Pa., announces Type E industrial steam turbines with close-coupled, integral gears for low-speed applications. Equipment such as pumps, fans, compressors, and generators can be driven at their proper speeds by these Gearturbines while the turbines operate at their most efficient speed.



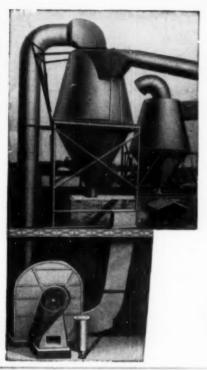
The new units combine a compact speed reduction mechanism coupled to the Type E turbine and designed to operate as a single unit. Single helical gears with low helix angle give low thrust against bearings. Turbine and gear are factory aligned on a single plate steel base which also serves as an oil tank. The Gearturbine is shipped as a completely assembled unit ready to install.

#### Belt Feeder

E-25 RICHARDSON SCALE Co., Clifton, N. J., has placed on the market a compact, totally enclosed, yet fully accessible belt feeder for easy installation in tight places.

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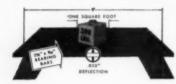
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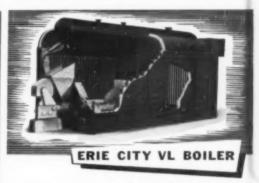
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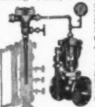
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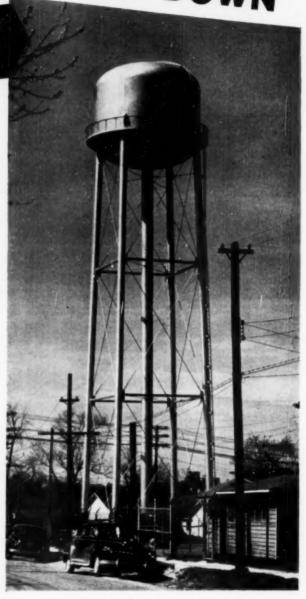
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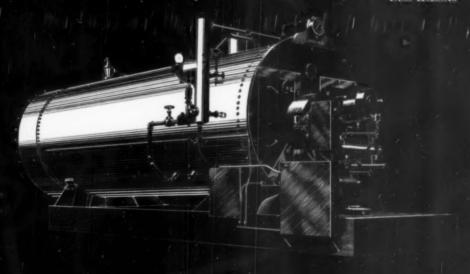
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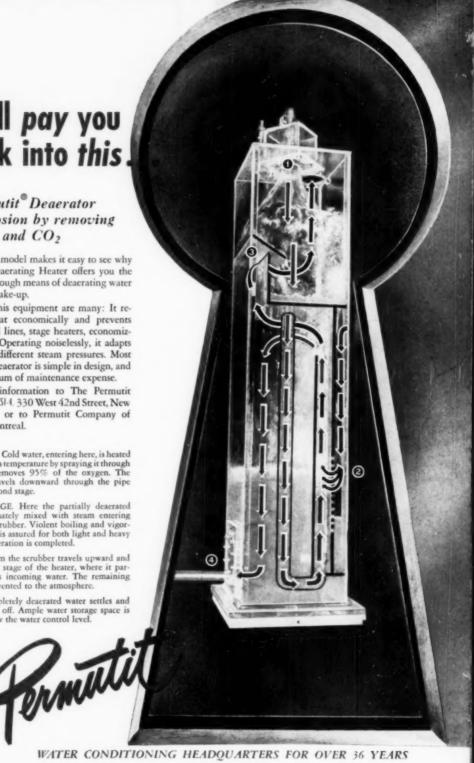
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